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"The Black Wolf's Breed,"
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The Famine in India
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TWO MINDS WITH VASTLY DIFFERENT THOUGHTS.

FORMER GOV. ALTGELD IN ROOM 301 AT THE PLANTERS.

HE IS FOR WILLIAM J. BRYAN.

The Currency Question and Imperialism Will Be the Leading Issues Before the Country This Year.

H. H. KOHLSAAT IN ROOM 338 AT THE PLANTERS.

HE IS FOR WILLIAM M'KINLEY.

Expansion Will Be the Question Upon Which the Battle of 1900 Will Be Fought Out in This Country.

In the most comfortable suites in the Planters' Hotel, divided only by the south hallway of the third floor, are two national figures. Both come from Chicago. One is a Republican, who thinks the Administration, as personified by William McKinley, well nigh infallible. He is Herman H. Kohlsaat, capitalist and proprietor of the Chicago Times-Herald. He is in room 338. The other man is a Democrat, of the sort who sees the country's salvation only in the election of William Jennings Bryan to the chair now occupied by McKinley, and who thinks the whole system of government by the present administration iniquitous. He is John P. Altgeld, former Governor of the State of Illinois. He is in room 301, just across the hall.

That hallway might as well be a thousand miles wide, for there is no clash between these eminent Chicagoans whose opinions so widely differ. It is doubtful if each knows the other is in the hotel, save what each may read in the papers.

Rather an odd situation, isn't it? What on earth would happen, or rather what would happen to this earth, particularly to the section over which the United States is scattered, if the stern-faced, wrinkled-browed man in 301 had his own way about running things, or if the gentle-mannered, white-haired man, with kindly-looking spectacles, who is in room 338 could do as he pleased. A comic thought in connection with their presence here:

Is McKinley trailing Bryan, or is Bryan keeping an eye on McKinley?

EX-GOV. ALTGELD.

"I look for Mr. Bryan to be the next Democratic presidential nominee.

"He will be elected beyond the faintest doubt.

"The people are tired of McKinley. McKinley's own party is tired of McKinley. It would gladly overthrow him if it could, but he has the machine.

"This country is being made a tail to an English kite.

"Currency? Yes, in some sections currency will be made the issue in the coming presidential campaign. Politicians can't make issues. The people make issues. Next to the money question the most important which will confront the voters is that of imperialism.

"The attitude of the United States during the South African struggles will not be forgotten at the polls in November. As a Republic it is the duty of this country to send some message of sympathy to the struggling little republics in South Africa."

Ex-Gov. Altgeld of Illinois arrived in St. Louis Saturday morning. He comes especially to address the Municipal Ownership League with Mayor "Golden Rule" Jones of Toledo, O., in the evening, at Masonic Hall. After he has delivered his address he will go to the annual dinner of the Knights of St. Patrick, at the Planters' and make an impromptu speech. His speech before the Irishmen will be economic in character, touching upon the trusts and similar questions and utterly free from political tinge.

This is the former Governor's first visit to St. Louis since he came down to attend the anti-trust dinner of the Jefferson Club last spring. He will return to Chicago over the Alton Road at 11:30 o'clock Saturday evening.

Gov. Altgeld gave the Post-Dispatch many more interesting expressions of opinion Saturday morning than those already quoted. He said Secretary of State Hay was a tonady, transferred to the State portfolio in Washington at England's behest, because England found him more useful in Washington than she did at the Court of St. James. He also said that the war in the Philippines was a war of greed and that the people of this country were fast becoming convinced of it. The McKinley administration was for imperialism and not for expansion. Having the machine in his control was the only reason McKinley would be the next Republican nominee.

"The Republicans will not nominate Mr. McKinley," was Gov. Altgeld's way of putting it. "Mr. McKinley will nominate himself."

Gov. Altgeld has ideas regarding the Kentucky tragedy and present difficulty. He says the killing of Goebel, whether done in a political conspiracy, was the result of Gov. Taylor's action in bringing armed desperadoes into an atmosphere charged with excitement. A tragedy was bound to ensue.

So far as the dual government of the State is concerned, it is the old question of whether the people shall submit to a so-called final tribunal or go into revolution. The constitution of the State has designated how such gubernatorial contests shall be settled. Having settled this one according to the law, it is for the people to submit regardless of their personal convictions of right and wrong. The Democrats submitted properly in 1876, though it has since come to be generally admitted that Tilden was elected President.

EDITOR KOHLSAAT.

"Bryan will be put up by the Democrats as their Presidential candidate, I think.

"I don't see how the Democrats can hope to elect him.

"Every State in the Union is indorsing Mr. McKinley and the policy of his Administration. He is the logical candidate of the Republican party. He is up for a renomination and he is entitled to it.

"Expansion will be the question upon which the Presidential battle of 1900 will be fought. Currency is of secondary importance. Next to the retention of our new possessions the great question is what form of government we shall give them.

"The South African troubles will be settled, I think, by June. By November the voters will not be thinking of them. It is absurd that Americans should wish the United States to meddle and mix up in the troubles of Europe. Suppose England had said to us two years ago: 'Here, you are threatening a monarchy, and a peculiarly odd-word form of government, and we shan't stand it on general principles!' What do you think the reply of the United States would have been?

Mr. Kohlsaat is accompanied to St. Louis by William A. Fuller, a prominent citizen of Chicago, now retired from active business, and by John M. Clark, president of the Chicago Telephone Co. They arrived Saturday morning as representatives of the Chicago Commercial Club and will attend the annual banquet of the St. Louis Commercial Club at the St. Louis Club Saturday evening. They will leave for Chicago Sunday morning.

The views of Mr. Kohlsaat, as given above, are in no sense replies to Gov. Altgeld's. Mr. Kohlsaat gave them to the Post-Dispatch in course of a conversation and without any idea that he was taking part in a campaign debate, so to speak.

Mr. Kohlsaat, while on the subject of presidential nominations, said he believed Theodore Roosevelt of New York would be the Republican nominee in 1904. He was certainly not in the field this time, and emphatically certainly was not to be considered as a possible vice-presidential nominee. The second place on the ticket, Mr. Kohlsaat thinks, should go to the East. New York preferred, but he admits there is difficulty in finding the man for the place. Cornelius N. Bliss he considers an ideal man, but Mr. Bliss says business in that way and besides Mrs. Bliss can't live in Washington.

Of ex-Gov. E. O. Stanard of St. Louis Mr. Kohlsaat thinks "mighty well." The St. Louisan, in his opinion, has a level head, and is just the sort of Vice-President to keep matters in the party smooth and even, the faculty for doing which constituted the late Mr. Hobart's chief value.

The United States was never so flourishing as it is to-day, according to the Chicago editor. He can quote figures sufficient to put the head of a professor of mathematics in a buzz to show that the banks, large and small, all over the country, are doing three and four times the business they did three years ago. No wonder the country is "expanding," says Mr. Kohlsaat.

SPRING IS OFFICIALLY HERE

Dr. Hyatt Says Winter Has Departed and Sunday Will Be Ideal for St. Patrick's Parade.

Gen. Winter's forces are trekking northward over Tanner's veldt, in full retreat, according to the "war" map issued Saturday morning by Dr. R. J. Hyatt, Uncle Sam's expert.

At Davenport and Dubuque drifts there was adesultory snow-flurrying early Saturday morning, but a few small rays from Gen. Sun's reserves dislodged the enemy. Small winter commandos were also reported at Moorhead and Minneapolis. These points have no strategic value to the local situation and will not be moved against.

Gen. Spring's forces are now stretched from California to New Jersey and are receiving heavy reinforcements from the South.

"The campaign is over," announced Expert Hyatt. "Winter has gone and spring will hold the territory. The temporary recesses of the early week have been more than counterbalanced by a brilliant flank movement.

"The temperature is steadily rising, and everything will be favorable for the review of St. Patrick's column to-morrow."

THE WEATHER INDICATIONS.

FAIR AND WARMER.

St. Louis and vicinity—Probably fair and warmer Saturday night and Sunday.

Missouri—Partly cloudy Saturday night and Sunday; warmer Saturday night and in east portion Sunday.

Illinois—Partly cloudy Saturday night and Sunday, with possibly snow flurries north portion Saturday afternoon and night; rising temperature.

Here and Elsewhere at 7 a. m.

St. Louis	14	Kansas City	16
New York	24	Little Rock	28
Chicago	2	New Orleans	44
Cincinnati	6	Pittsburg	2
Cleveland	8	St. Paul	8
Denver	22	Vicksburg	36
Galveston	52	Washington	20
Indianapolis	7		

FORGOT TO TAKE THE CORPSE

Funeral Cortege Well on Its Way Before It Was Discovered That the Coffin Was Empty.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

LIBERTY, Mo., March 17.—J. W. Francis died at Artesian Springs, Platte County, and when the Modern Woodmen took charge Friday to conduct the burial they supposed the body had been placed in the casket and did not know that it was under a sheet on a bed in a darkened room. The casket itself was very heavy and it was carried to the hearse and the funeral procession was well on the road to Parkville, where the body was to be buried, before the mistake was discovered.

FIVE BURNED TO DEATH

Terrible Result of an Attempt to Light a Fire With Gasoline at Columbus, O.

COLUMBUS, O., March 17.—Five dead, one fatally and one seriously injured is the result of an attempt to start a fire with gasoline last night. George White used the fluid at James Weaver's residence and an explosion followed. The building was set on fire and the inmates were covered with the burning fluid. The dead are Philip Weaver, aged 49; Roy Weaver, aged 14; Tully Weaver, aged 3; Loray Weaver, aged 8; Joseph White, aged 36.

Alice Weaver was fatally burned and James Weaver seriously.

GIVEN TO MARRIAGE.

TWO PRETTY SCHUSTER GIRLS WED THREE TIMES EACH.

CUPID UNUSUALLY BUSY.

Latest Wedding Is That of Mrs. Luada Cole to Charles H. Willard of Chicago.

Charles H. Willard.....Chicago, Ill
Luada Cole.....4428 Forest Park bl

This is the sixth wedding in the family of Mr. and Mrs. Adam N. Schuster of 4428 Forest Park boulevard, although they have only two children.

The multiplicity of marriages is accounted for by the fact that each of the daughters has thrice entered the bonds of matrimony. This circumstance, unusual enough in itself ordinarily, is made doubly so in this instance by the fact that the elder daughter is now only 34 years of age.

The Schuster family has lived many years in Missouri, but is not nearly so well known here as in Kansas City and St. Joseph, particularly the latter place. For a quarter of a century Adam N. Schuster was one of the most prominent merchants and wealthy citizens of St. Joseph. He was engaged in the wholesale clothing business, lived in a palatial residence and was estimated to be worth over $500,000. His two daughters were reared in luxury and refinement and were given all the advantages that wealth and social position could afford. They grew into beautiful young women, with musical accomplishments as well as natural charms, and were sought in marriage by scores of anxious suitors. The older—Ada, she was always called, though her correct name was Luada—gave her hand to James Hingston and their marriage some 15 years ago was a notable society event in St. Joseph.

Hingston was the son of a prominent wholesale merchant of Kansas City and the possessor of a tenor voice of rare quality. His wife was also a vocalist of merit and a most finished performer on the harp. Their friends predicted for them a life of harmony and bliss, but unfortunately their natures did not blend as well as their voices.

After a wedded career of only a few brief years they were divorced. She returned to her father's home and he took up music professionally, it is said, once appearing here in light opera at Koerner's Garden.

A few years after her divorce from Hingston, Miss Schuster went to Chicago on a visit. She stopped at the Auditorium. Among the other guests there at the time was Judson Cole, a buyer for a large Chicago furnishing goods house. Mr. Cole had been married, but his connubial career had not been a happy one. A divorce suit was pending and soon after meeting Miss Schuster he found himself legally free to marry again. The mutual bond of sympathy that soon arose between himself and the fair Missourian quickly ripened into love, with the result that they became man and wife. For some years they lived happily together, but they, too, finally began to drift apart. Again husband and wife went into the divorce courts. But a decision reached here was appealed. A higher court passed sentence. Cole died in California, where he had gone for his health, while the suit was pending.

Prior to this Mrs. Cole had once more returned to her father's home. This time it was in St. Louis instead of St. Joseph. Mr. Schuster had been unfortunate. He failed in business there, and, with what he managed to save from the wreck, had purchased a pretty home at 4428 Forest Park boulevard, and decided to spend the balance of his days there in quiet retirement. Her parents were glad to have Mrs. Cole with them once more. Very frequently she filled their home with sweet strains from her harp and sang for them, playing her accompaniments on her favorite instrument. It was about three years ago that Mrs. Cole returned here. During that time she became quite well known in certain musical circles. She played at a number of concerts and social functions, including the fashionable Boogher-Evill wedding of last year.

But Mr. and Mrs. Schuster are again alone in their pretty home. Rather recently a new actor appeared in this unusual society drama. He was Mr. Charles Huntley Willard. He is a traveling man. He came from Chicago, where he is said to reside at the Saratoga Hotel. The circumstances of his meeting with Mrs. Cole are not public property. All that is known in this connection is that about a week ago Mrs. Cole notified her parents that she was to marry again, and that Mr. Willard was the third man of her choice. They said the customary "God bless you," and the house was decorated with smilax and orange blossoms and other things in the line of nuptial accessories, and last Wednesday evening the Rev. John F. Cannon of the Grand Avenue Presbyterian Church pronounced the words that made them man and wife. They left immediately after the ceremony for Hot Springs, Ark.

The Schuster home that is now tenanted exclusively by the aged parents and their servants only a few days ago was the abode of the younger daughter, as well as the young woman who has just been married. She, too, celebrated her third wedding in that house. Her first matrimonial venture occurred in St. Joseph about 10 years since. Florence was the younger girl's name, and she was as pretty, as talented and as vivacious as her elder sister. When still in her teens she fell in love with a clerk in her father's wholesale house and eloped with him to Leavenworth, Kan. His name was Frank Hooper. The senior Schuster—a kindly, generous old gentleman—not only forgave Hooper for eloping with his younger daughter, but took him into the firm, as he had previously done his other son-in-law, Hingston. But Hooper's married life was no smoother than Hingston's. He also got into the divorce courts after a few years and also got out of the firm.

His wife, after their legal separation, returned to the magnificent home of her father. Immediately adjoining the Schuster home was the palatial residence of President Ogden of the Commercial Bank of St. Joseph. In his home lived his stepson, Clarence King, a handsome, dashing fellow, who was superintendent of the vaults of the Commercial Bank. He began paying his attentions to the fair young divorcee and it was not long before society was informed that they were married. But it seems that even this matrimonial venture failed to "pan out," as several different kinds of people might say. At least it didn't in the beginning. For, ere many years of wedded life had rolled around, lawyers were again consulted and the names of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence King figured on the court records.

A divorce was granted in due time, but the subsequent developments were altogether different in this instance. King didn't die. Neither did his wife fall in love with and marry somebody else. Instead, she, too, came to St. Louis and joined her parents and sister. Years came and went and then Mr. King came. But he didn't go away in haste. Instead he lingered. He called on his former wife. He pleaded with her to return to him and he was the happiest man in town one night about a year ago, when she consented to become Mrs. King once more. They are now living happily together.

Such is the remarkable matrimonial record of the children of the Schusters. Mrs. Willard was present at her younger sister's third marriage, but whether Mrs. King attended the third nuptials of Mrs. Willard is not known.

SO THEY WERE WED

YESTERDAY.
Spring was flirting;
Winter, rough,
Stepped right in and
Called her bluff.

G. WHIZZ.

The verbatim conversation is the latest method adopted by up-to-date newspapers for the purpose of obtaining absolute accuracy. It is as much superior to the interview as the interview is to the second-hand statement made by a reporter.

The verbatim conversation takes place in the presence of witnesses. The questions are propounded by a representative of the

HARRIS DICKSON.
(Author of the "Black Wolf's Breed.")

newspaper. The answers are given by the person from whom information is desired and are taken in shorthand by a stenographer and then transcribed for publication.

Admirable system, isn't it?

This system, now to be introduced for the first time in St. Louis, will be illustrated in to-morrow's Sunday Post-Dispatch by actual conversation on an important subject by the following well-known gentlemen:

F. Louis Soldan.
Frederick M. Crunden.
W. L. Sheldon.
E. C. Eliot.
John Schroers.

"The Black Wolf's Breed," a new and successful novel, by Harris Dickson of Mississippi, will be commenced in TO-MORROW'S Sunday Post-Dispatch. This book, published only a few weeks ago, has already reached its twentieth thousand.

Remember, the Post-Dispatch has secured from the Bowen-Merrill Publishing Company of Indianapolis the exclusive right to publish this story in St. Louis, and it will be presented by no other newspaper.

"The Black Wolf's Breed" is a story of love and adventure in the time of Louis XIV., and is exceedingly interesting.

Washington society, for the first time in history, is divided into two rival factions, and each faction is led by a charming and ambitious woman.

Each leader is firmly backed by a legion of ardent sympathizers, and interesting developments are on the tapis. See the facts in to-morrow's Sunday Post-Dispatch. Illustrated.

Do you know that in St. Louis there are women employed as assistant pastors of churches?

In this connection you will find some interesting facts in to-morrow's Sunday Post-Dispatch.

Here are the names of some of the beautiful women whose pictures (all half tones) you will find in to-morrow's Sunday Post-Dispatch.

Miss Adele Pickel, 4100 Sarpy avenue.
Miss Edna F. L. Sharpe, 2201 Park avenue.
Miss Laura Healy, 2855 Lafayette avenue.
Miss Leota Cicardi, 2716 Allen avenue.
Miss C. Meyers, 4711 Page boulevard.
Miss Ulah Patterson, Webster Groves.
Miss Lillian Kletzker, 1747 Mississippi avenue.
Miss Anna Mae Foerstel, 4203 Clayton avenue.
Miss Leeta Smith, 911 North Twenty-second.
Miss Lillian Koerner, 4900 Arsenal street.
AND THESE, ALSO.
Miss Jessie Woods, Weston, Mo.
Miss Mabel Young, Fayette, Mo.
Mrs. Guy D. Cookser, Sikeston, Mo.
Miss Flora Hutchings, Bloomfield, Io.
Miss Edith Olive Wisely, Murphysboro, Ill.
Miss Mildred Russell, Eureka Springs.
Miss Mary L. Trace, Louisville, Ky.
Mrs. Iowa York Carter, Milan, Tenn.
Miss Ruth Strong, Marshall, Mo.
Miss Ora Wilcox, Jackson, Tenn.
Miss Anna Lauphelmer, Memphis, Tenn.

It is estimated that the profits on the Topeka Capital during "Sheldon Week" will be $65,000.

Let us see. Who ever heard of the Topeka Capital before the Rev. Mr. Sheldon butted into the editorial arena? On what capitalization is this $65,000 profit made? At that rate the profit for 52 weeks would be $3,380,000.

Suppose that $3,380,000 represented 12 per cent on the investment, which is a fair profit for any business. One per cent would be $281,666, and 100 per cent would be $28,166,600.

Is the Topeka Capital worth that much, think you? Not much, Mary Ann! Would Christ—but then, it must be remembered that Mr. Sheldon's church gets $10,000 out of this deal.

Now, what does Mr. Sheldon give his readers for this $65,000? A lot of anonymous Topeka tax-dodging tommyrot, magazine reprint, an occasional four-line news item, and a few jaundiced editorials, censored by C. M. Sheldon. In the course of one week he probably paid as much as $25 for news by wire.

What do other newspapers—great papers—newspapers—conducted according to honest methods of business, give their readers? They maintain special correspondents at home and abroad, at great cost. They pay immense bills for telegraph service. They send men to report special happenings and bear the expense, however great. They pay good sums to special writers on subjects of national moment. They spare neither money nor labor to give their readers what seems to be the best in the world, and not for one instant do they dream of a profit of $65,000 a week. Great Jupiter, no! They are in business for money, but they don't want the earth.

Sheldon said the news of the famine in India was the biggest item in the world last Tuesday. Where did he get his news? Out of magazines. To-morrow the Sunday Post-Dispatch will present the most graphic account of this famine that has yet been written. This famine affects 15,000,000 people. The writer is Julian Hawthorne, novelist and son of a novelist, and one of the foremost of all great newspaper correspondents. He visited India for the especial purpose of writing articles. His account, illustrated, will be found to be terse, impressive, thrilling.

See the Sunday Post-Dispatch to-morrow and decide for yourself the mooted question:

BOERS ARE IN FORCE IN THE PASSES.

Dundonald Finds Their Position Strong to the West of Ladysmith.

NEXT FIGHTING ON THE VAAL.

BOERS HAVE DESERTED PRACTICALLY ALL THEIR POSITIONS SOUTH OF BLOEMFONTEIN.

LINE TO ORANGE RIVER CLEAR.

No Intimation Given of the Next Probable Move on Gen. Roberts, Who Now Has No Obstruction on His Line of Communication.

LADYSMITH, March 17.—Lord Dundonald's cavalry patrols reconnoitered the Free State border of Basutoland to De Beers, where a slight skirmish occurred in which two British were wounded. The Boers were also encountered in strength at Van Reenan's Pass and Tintwas Pass.

Kaffirs arriving here report that the Boers are manifesting a vindictive spirit under defeat and that many kraals hitherto respected have been burned.

The German ambulances attached to the Boer forces were found near Modder Spruit, having been abandoned by the Boers, because they were unable to keep pace with the retreat. They were brought into camp, where the wounded were cared for. Transports were subsequently supplied and the ambulances were sent to the Boer lines.

BURGHERSDORP, March 17.—Commandant Olivier evacuated his position on a hill in front of the British during the night. Several Boers of his force have surrendered.

Dr. de Wett, a member of the Cape Parliament, and his brother have been arrested.

BETHULIE, March 16.—Gen. Gatacre's scouts have occupied Springfontein. The country is clear of the enemy. The main column is following the scouts.

Gen. Gatacre, on arriving here, found that all the Boers had fled. The town was nearly deserted, the Dutch having trekked on hearing of the occupation of Bloemfontein.

It is believed that the Boers retired in the direction of Dewet's Dorp. The telegraph line is open to Springfontein.

It is understood here the President Kruger two days ago annexed the Orange Free State to the South African Republic.

LONDON, March 17.—The peaceful conquest of the Orange Free State progresses so evenly that it is now believed there will be little or no fighting until Lord Roberts reaches the Vaal River. How soon he intends to start out with this objective is not yet hinted at, for the pacification of the Free State. In the meanwhile the fate of Mafeking remains unknown.

The revolt of the Cape Dutch in the Northeast seems to have been broken, and it is likely that Gen. Kitchener will soon resume his place beside his chief.

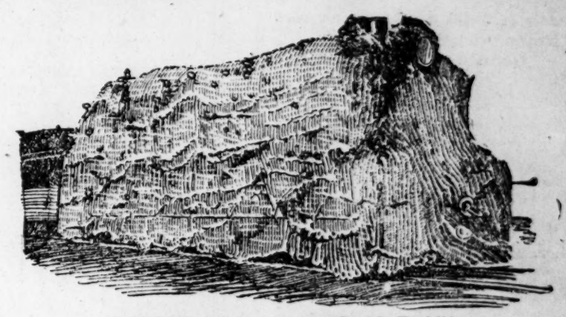
The lull that lets the British troops in Natal and the Free State recuperate brings no rest to the engineers and transport service. Girouard, the young Canadian officer who rules supreme over the railroads, is now putting his system to the most severe test, in an endeavor to pour supplies from Cape Town to Bloemfontein.

Commandant Olivier, after leaving Burghersdorp, went to Rouxville, where he is now reported to be with only a small force.

The bridge over the Orange River at Vauzyl has been completed. The British forces have crossed and are bivouacking on Free State soil.

Dr. Leyds, the diplomatic agent of the Transvaal, has disappeared from Brussels. According to a Globe special, he is believed to have come to London, but nothing is known here about his arrival.

It seems scarcely likely that he would jump into the lion's mouth, and the energetic Boer representative is more likely to



A NOVELTY IN AN ARMORED TRAIN.

The English engineers have of late evolved a new method of protection of their trains against shell fire by covering them with a steel rope jacket. Although Gen. Roberts' line of communication by rail between Blomfontein and Orange River is now apparently clear these odd looking locomotives will doubtless be employed until there is greater certainty that the enemy can offer no obstruction in the rear of the English commander.

be soon heard of at one of the other European capitals.

RAILWAY LINE IS NOW CLEAR

Lord Roberts Reports That He Can Inaugurate Train Service From Cape Town to Bloemfontein.

LONDON, March 16.—Lord Roberts has sent the following dispatch to the War Office:

"Bloemfontein, Friday, March 16.—Gen. Clements crossed the Orange River yesterday. Repairs to the railway bridge at Norval's Pont have commenced and it will shortly be ready for traffic.

"Gen. Pole-Carew telegraphs his arrival at Springfontein, so that Bloemfontein now is practically in rail communication with Cape Town.

"My proclamation is already having an excellent effect. Several hundred burghers have expressed their intention to surrender their arms and return to their occupations.

"The resident commissioner of Basutoland reports that 800 Boers lately arrived from Bloemfontein and that a further contingent from Aliwal North was only waiting to know the terms of my proclamation to surrender. They had refused to attend a council at Kroonstadt, to which President Steyn had summoned them."

Another dispatch from Bloemfontein says: "It is safe to say that the Boers have completely collapsed in the Free State south of this point.

"The British cavalry patrols, going as far as the Modder River, have found no sign of the enemy. The bridge is untouched.

"Altogether 400 Boers have come in here to surrender.

"Gen. Prettyman, as Governor of Bloemfontein, has issued a proclamation calling on the burghers to surrender their arms by noon on Sunday or suffer confiscation of their property."

VANZYL, Friday, March 16.—The railroad has been reopened from Bloemfontein to Norval's Pont.

Gen. Pole Carew and the Grenadiers have just arrived at Norval's Pont.

EXPLAINING EARLY DEFEATS

Gen. Roberts Places Blame on Gatacre and Gen. Methuen, Says His Officers Were at Fault.

LONDON, March 17.—Lord Roberts, in transmitting Gen. Gatacre's report of the Stormberg defeat, gives his opinions thus:

"The failure was mainly due to reliance on inaccurate information regarding the ground held by the Boers, the employment of too small a force and to the men being tired out by a long night march before they came in contact with the enemy. When it became evident shortly after midnight that the guides were leading the column in the wrong direction, I consider that Gatacre should have halted and endeavored to find a proper road, or should have fallen back on Molteno, rather than have risked the safety of the entire force by following a route which brought the troops into difficult ground commanded on both sides by the Boers.

"The London Gazette this evening publishes Lord Methuen's reports of the actions at Magersfontein, Dec. 10 and 11, dated from the Modder River, Feb. 15. After explaining the difficulties of any attempt to outflank 16,000 Boers and arguing that a blow dealt at the Boer center at Magersfontein would be more effective, he says his orders were to relieve Kimberley, and therefore on the day the last reenforcements arrived he decided to attack Magersfontein Kopje.

"In describing the earlier part of the battle Gen. Methuen says that the enemy was informed of the approaching attack by the accidental discharge of two rifles and the flash of a lantern, and that "Gen. Wauchope deployed his force too late."

"At 1 o'clock in the afternoon," Methuen says, "the Seaforths were exposed to a heavy cross fire, the order to retire was given, and the greater part of the casualties then occurred. This was an unfortunate retirement for Hallet. He received instructions to remain in his position until dusk, and the enemy were then quitting the trenches in tens and twenties. Wauchope told me in the evening of Dec. 10 that he quite understood his orders, and he made no further remark."

Following these remarks, Gen. Methuen pays a high compliment to Gen. Wauchope, who died at the head of his troops. He also compliments the Highlanders, whose failure to rally, he says, was solely due to a paucity of troops.

Lord Roberts' comments on the earlier operations of the war in the London Gazette, and his absolue silence respecting Lord Methuen's dispatch are regarded as very significant. The Times observes that this silence is, perhaps, more significant than words, especially when connected with the fact that Lord Mthuen no longer takes any prominent part in the campaign.

RHODES DENOUNCES BULLER

He Says That the Orders Given to Methuen Regarding Kimberley Were a Disgrace.

Special Cable to the Post-Dispatch.

LONDON, March 17.—Julian Ralph, in a letter from Kimberley to the London Daily Mail, quotes Cecile Rhodes as saying, in an interview with him:

"The marvelous thing about England is her luck. We have made the silliest mistakes and we have had some of the most incompetent Generals, but we are coming out all right as we always do.

"I am glad to have Kimberley relieved of course. We are all glad, but, in heaven's name why was it not done sooner? What was the good of all that massing about Rensburg and Colesburg? Why did they not do at first what was so readily done at last?

"There is little use telling you what Buller's plans were, you people in England have such wonderful ideas about his generalship. Do you know what his orders to Methuen were, with regard to Kimberley? They were these: Methuen was to come here to relieve the town, carry all the people away out of it and then fall back to Orange River.

"I know it, and I say that it is scandalous. It would have been a disgrace upon England had it been carried out. Take the people all away, leave the town and fall back to Orange River.

I don't refer to the abandonment of the town as a disgrace, but to falling back to Orange River. Why should an English General plan a retreat and arrange to fall back. It is simply monstrous."

GERMANY EXPLAINS WHY SHE CANNOT BE MEDIATOR.

PRETORIA, March 17.—The German Consul has handed the following dispatch to President Kruger:

"The Government of Germany and the Emperor will be glad and ready to assist in friendly mediation as soon as the fundamental conditions to such are apparent—as soon as it is demonstrated that both opponents desire mediation.

"Whether the desire already exists on the British side can be found by the Republics on direct inquiry at London or through the good offices of a third Government, which has no important interests of its own to consider in South Africa. The latter assumption is qualified with a number of nations in and outside of Europe, but not with Germany.

"Any such step on the part of the German Government would awaken suspicions that it had other than a humanitarian view. The increased mistrust thereby engendered would not promote a peaceable settlement.

"The request of the Republics to transmit their appeal for mediation to the Austro-Hungarian and Swiss Governments, whose interests are watched by the German Consulate, has been immediately fulfilled."

BELOW ZERO IN CHICAGO

City on the Lakes Suffers From the Coldest Weather in the Last Twelve Years.

CHICAGO, March 17.—The temperature this morning beat all records for this late in March since 1888. At 2 o'clock this morning the thermometer registered 1 below zero.

The cold wave, which originated in the Northwest, had its center in this district. Chicago, Milwaukee and Green Bay were the only places where the temperature reached zero. The frost filled the Chicago police stations with lodgers and there was great suffering among the poor families.

According to the prediction of the Weather Bureau there is no warm wave in sight, but the temperature will moderate to-day. In the Northwest the temperature is much higher than in this district. The thermometer in the Dakotas showed between 16 and 18 above and the temperature was rising. The freezing weather reached as far south as Macon, Ga., while in Northern Texas, Oklahoma and Indian Territory heavy snow storms prevailed.

LIMA, O., March 17.—The temperature dropped to 7 below zero here to-day. The natural gas pressure is so weak that it is not sufficient to keep stoves warm. There is much suffering.

WANT ACCOUNT FOR STOCK

Mrs. Deull Sent to Jail for Contempt of the United States Court.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 17.—Mrs. Charlotte A. Deull of Garden City, Kan., was committed to jail in Bates County for contempt by Judge Phillips of the United States Circuit Court for refusing to account for $500 worth of goods which she secured on credit for her general merchandise store at Garden City. Mrs. Deull bought $10,000 worth of goods for her store between July and December, 1899. In December last she failed in business and took advantage of the bankrupt act. Ex-Gov. T. T. Crittenden was appointed referee. In her statement she left $5106.50 unaccounted for. She denied that any of the goods had been spirited away. She had deposited no money in the bank. She kept no book accounts and she would make no explanations.

YALE HAS SMALLPOX.

Three Cases of the Disease Have Been Found in the University.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 17.—Three cases of smallpox have broken out in Yale College within the past three days. The last case is that of Rufus Parks, Jr., a member of the middle class of the scientific department. The others are Garos W. Perkins of Grand Rapids and Roland Bailey of Middletown, Conn. Parks is a member of the aristocratic secret society, Berzilius, located in Hill House avenue, in the heart of the millionaire district of the city. All members of the society have been quarantined.

TAYLOR GOES TO LOUISVILLE

Republican Governor Guarded on His Trip by an Escort of Twenty Militiamen.

FRANKFORT, Ky., March 17.—Gov. Taylor left the State Capital to-day for Louisville. An escort of 20 soldiers accompanied him to the train. It is said he is preparing to buy a house near Louisville.

SNOW PREVENTS THE PARADE.

Winter Weather on St. Patrick's Day in Detroit.

DETROIT, Mich., March 17.—The temperature to-day stood at 2 below zero in Detroit and throughout Southern Michigan, the coldest 17th of March in 23 years. For the amount of snow on the ground the day breaks the record. The St. Patrick's Day parade was practically abandoned.

SHAMROCK THE BADGE OF HONOR.

All England Is To-Day Bedecked in Green.

QUEEN WEARS IRISH EMBLEM.

GREEN FLAG FLOATS FROM LONDON'S MANSION HOUSE.

Prince of Wales Opens the Irish Industrial Exhibition and London Society Joins in Honoring the Holiday.

LONDON, March 17.—For the first time in the history of England loyalists all over the United Kingdom are celebrating shamrock day and everywhere the green is conspicuous. From Windsor Castle, where the Queen observed the day by wearing a sprig of genuine four-leaved shamrock, to the East End slums of London, where the ragged urchin bedecks himself with green weed, nearly every one sports something in the shape of a green favor. A word from Her Majesty has turned the emblem of semi-disloyalty into a badge of honor and has made the shamrock the most prized of all the plants in the British Isles.

By the Queen's order the bells in the curfew tower of Windsor Castle honored St. Patrick this morning, Irish airs, played by the Grenadiers, enlivened the Queen's luncheon and on London's Mansion House floats a new loyal Irish flag, with the union jack in the upper corner and a crowned harp in the center of a green field, as distinguished from the Irish flag which bears the harp without the union or crown. The street venders have done a roaring trade with flags, buttons, clover, moss and bits of green ribbon, etc. Houses and stores lavishly display green flags and bunting and Irish soldiers and sailors show special pride in wearing the national emblem. The supply of genuine shamrock was so scarce that half a dozen leaves sold readily for half a crown.

The ancient ceremony of "trooping the colors" at Dublin Castle was especially picturesque. It was performed to-day in the presence of the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, Earl Cadogan, the Duke of Connaught, Commander-in-Chief of the forces in Ireland, and a brilliant assemblage. All the troops wore the shamrock.

The second day's sale of the Irish Industries Association was opened at the London Mansion House this afternoon by the Lady Mayoress, with Princesses, Duchesses, Countesses and commoners attending the stalls, which conducted the biggest kind of a trade. The celebration in honor of Ireland's patron saint really began here yesterday when the Princess of Wales opened this exhibition.

The Prince and Princess arrived about 3 o'clock. The latter wore a sprig of shamrock pinned on her sable cape. The former had a shamrock pin of emeralds nestling in his necktie. They were received by the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress. Lady Londonderry and Lord Arthur Hill, who presented the Prince and Princess with some shamrocks which had been sent over by an Irish priest.

Their highnesses then made a tour of the stalls, buying generously. At the Lady Mayoress' stall both the Prince and Princess made a long pause. The Prince bought a cushion cover from Miss Langtry, with whom he talked for some time, as well as with Mrs. Cornwallis West.

The stalls were presided over by the leaders of London society, including the Duchess of Devonshire, the Countess of Aberdeen, the Marchioness of Lansdowne, Mrs. Ronalds, Mrs. Cornwallis West, the Duchess of St. Albans, Countess Clanwilliam and many others. It was a society demonstration in honor of Ireland, which but reflects the sentiment of England at the present moment.

STREET CAR DISTRBANCE.

Perry Coons Arrested by Detective Pat Lally and Fined.

Perry F. Coons was fined $10 and costs by Judge Sidener Saturday morning for creating a disturbance in a street car.

The disturbance took place on a California avenue car Thursday evening at Eighteenth street and Clark avenue. Detective Patrick Lally was on the car and the conductor asked him to preserve order. Coons, who is colored, was offensive, and the detective was compelled to use force in arresting him. Coons insisted that the detective assaulted him without provocation, but the evidence was against him and he will either have to pay the fine or go to the workhouse.

INTO UNITED STATES COURT.

Two Important Suits Transferred From State Court.

Two suits were transferred Saturday from the St. Louis Circuit Court to the United States District Court.

Jacob Lambert seeks to recover $7665.65 from the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association on a policy and damages.

David D. Mahoney sues the St. Louis, Keokuk & Northwestern Railway Co. for $20,000 damages for the loss of his right hand.

WHICH WAY IS HE GOING?

PARKES SUES ANTON STUEVER

Expert Accountant's Bill for Services in Negotiating Sales of Lafayette Bank Stock.

James A. Parkes began proceedings in the Circuit Court Saturday to recover $2532.50 from Anton C. Stuever.

The plaintiff claims he rendered service of this value to the defendant as an expert accountant and in negotiating sales of shares of stock in the Lafayette Bank.

BURGLAR TOOLS FOUND ON HIM

Joseph Foster Sent to Workhouse for Six Months.

Joseph Foster was fined $100 by Judge Sidener Saturday morning for having burglar tools in his possession. In default of payment he was sent to the Workhouse, where he will have to remain six months.

Foster was arrested a week ago last Thursday night by Patrolmen Hayhurst and Campbell of the Second Police District. They found him after dark at the intersection of Cherokee street and Indiana avenue. He was a rough-looking customer and he could give no account of himself that was satisfactory to the police, so he was taken to the police station at Ninth and Wyoming streets, where he was searched. A set of well-made skeleton keys, a small finely tempered saw and a small file were found in his clothing.

Detectives Frese and Walsh testified to the quality of the tools. Foster said he had been in the city several months, but was unable to obtain work. He said he was a waiter. The police had no record of him. Judge Sidener said he considered such men dangerous and he would assess such a fine as would keep him in the workhouse six months, the maximum time allowed by the ordinance. Chief Desmond complimented the policemen who made the arrest.

Stops the Cough
AND WORKS OFF THE COLD.
Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No Cure, No Pay. Price 25c.

CLARKE'S DAUGHTER TO WED.

Miss Katherine Will Become Mrs. Morris in June.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—It is announced that Miss Katharine Stauffer Clark, youngest daughter of Senator William A. Clark of Montana, will wed Dr. Lewis Rutherford Morris of New York next June. The honeymoon will be spent in Europe and upon their return the couple will reside in New York.

Rock Springs Democrats.

The Rock Springs Democratic Club will celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a ball at Benton Hall, Manchester and Prather avenues. Dr. J. H. Simon is president of the club and W. H. Holland secretary. It has a membership of over 900.

Making a Stir IN FLOUR

Gold Medal Flour is making tremendous gains in popularity. It requires between one and two hundred car loads every day to supply the demand. More housewives are using it than any other flour milled. People everywhere are realizing the full value of its goodness. More nutrition to those who eat it, more economy to those who use it, more satisfaction to the woman who bakes it. Why don't *you* try WASHBURN, CROSBY'S

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FORGERY IS CHARGED

T. FRANCIS STECHER IN THE HANDS OF THE POLICE.

ONCE GAVE ORGAN TO CHURCH.

But He Didn't Pay for It—This Time It Is Alleged His Checks Were Forged by Some One.

T. Francis Stecher, who a 12-month ago came into public mention as a result of the gift of an organ he made to the Holy Rosary Church, and which he failed to pay for, is again in the hands of the police.

Stecher is now charged with having forged three checks, to two of which, for $12 and $23.75, the name of "John Hogan" was appended; the other, for $22, was signed by "John Hughes." The $22 check, drawn on the Continental Bank, was cashed by F. E. Bausch, employed by the Missouri-Edison Co. at its plant, Nineteenth and Gratiot streets. The largest check, on the Boatmen's Bank, was cashed by G. W. Burley, manager of a laundry at 2410 Washington avenue, and the third was received by Barth Kissel of Nebraska and Eads avenues.

Stecher was arrested late Friday afternoon at his boarding house, 2622 Washington avenue.

He at first refused to answer questions, but finally made a statement that the three checks had been given him in payment of debts, and he, in utmost good faith, had likewise tendered them. The fact that neither Hughes nor Hogan had accounts at either of the banks, where, in fact, their names were entirely unknown, seems to bother Stecher a great deal, and on Saturday he told several varying stories to account for this.

Stecher was formerly employed by the Missouri-Edison Co., but for the last month had not been working. He has been a resident of St. Louis for about one year. He is of decidedly good appearance and rather more than fair education. He is scrupulously neat in his appearance and the impression he gives is that of a prosperous business man. These favorable points sufficed to at once gain him the confidence of the neighborhood in which he lived in the vicinity of the Holy Rosary Church at Margaretta and Newstead avenues, which he joined at the time of his arrival here, late in 1898. He was the St. Louis representative of a large Chicago lithographing house and always seemed to be possessed of money.

He had been in the city but a short time when he married the widow of Dr. L. Crusius, the artist who designed the familiar death's-head calendars. Stecher displayed an active interest in parish affairs and soon came to be looked upon as one of the pillars of the church and so when Father Lavery complained of the fact that there was great need for a new organ and announced his intention of casting about to find means of raising the necessary funds Stecher stepped into the breach and proclaimed his purpose of presenting the church of his adoption with a new instrument, "the best that money could buy." The contract was let to the firm of J. C. Pfeffer's Sons Co., and so convinced were the contractors of their patron's standing that not a cent of advance money was required.

When the handsome organ was completed Stecher, expressing his satisfaction with it, tendered the builders a check for $3000 in payment, drawn on the Third National Bank.

Though the signer had remarked when he issued the check that he had about $30,000 lying idle in the depositary, the officials of the institution pronounced the paper worthless and added that they had never even heard of Stecher. This unexpected denouement came like a thunderbolt into the congregation of Father Lavery. And their discomfiture was added to when a warrant, charging their former associate with obtaining goods under false pretenses, was issued. The case was dismissed by Judge Clark, who held that inasmuch as Stecher had not converted the goods to his own use, and the check had not been used to obtain money on, no direct violation of the law was made. So the organ people took down their expensive instrument and the church is still without one.

WITH A FRACTURED SKULL.

Frank Weinecke Was Received at the City Hospital.

Frank Weinecke, an employe at the works of the Missouri Car and Foundry Co., was taken to the South Side Dispensary Saturday morning with a fractured skull. It was stated that he had an epileptic fit and was injured by the fall. Dr. Webster dressed his wound and had him forwarded to the City Hospital, where his injury was pronounced serious.

Cincinnati Republicans.

CINCINNATI, March 17.—Three city conventions were held to-day at the same time in this city. The Republicans nominated Julius Fleischmann for Mayor by acclamation. The Democratic and the Independent Republican conventions appointed conference committees to select a fusion ticket and took a recess

BLIGHTED BY GRIEF, RAN AWAY FROM PEORIA.

MRS. BURROWS WAS UNDER THE WEIGHT OF GREAT SORROW.

Found by Her Husband in St. Louis at a Working Girls' Home and Is Having Kindly Attention.

Mrs. E. C. Burrows, who not many years ago was a belle in Peoria (Ill.) society, is in St. Louis under the blight of a sorrow the like of which comes into the lives of few women.

While mentally unbalanced she fled from her home in Peoria last Wednesday night. Her disappearance caused great excitement in the town. Her husband, aided by detectives, searched for her two days and found her Friday night in a home for working girls in St. Louis.

She is now at the home of her brother-in-law, Frederick Harrison, at 3907 Vine Grove avenue.

Three of Mrs. Burrows' children died under peculiarly sad circumstances, each cruelly left its impress on the mother's mind and the last, which occurred less than a week ago, dethroned her reason.

Mrs. Burrows was Miss Nellie Peters, daughter of E. E. Peters, an official of the Sanitary Department of Peoria. She and her husband have recently been living at the home of her parents at 801 New York avenue in that city.

In her unsettled mental condition she refuses to be comforted and believes imaginary enemies have murdered her children and are seeking her life.

When she fled in the night from her Peoria home she imagined she was being pursued. Mrs. Harrison, the mother of Mrs. Burrows, is a kindly old lady, but all her attempts to soothe her daughter are unavailing. She told the story of Mrs. Burrows' flight and capture to the Post-Dispatch Saturday morning.

"Nattie and my son were married about eight ago," she said. "They had known each other many years and the union seemed an ideal one to both families. All went well until six years ago, when their first child, a little girl, died in a spasm, in its mother's arms. She was seized with melancholy, from which she never entirely recovered. Two years later a second child died in the same way. The little boy that died the other day was a fine child. Its advent did more than any other influence to brighten the mother's mind. Last Monday the child had a spasm. A physician attended it and told the mother no dangerous results were to be feared. Fifteen minutes after the doctor left the house the child died in its mother's arms. She held its body clasped to her breast for three hours and fought with members of the family who attempted to take it away from her.

"For two days she brooded over her affliction. Wednesday night, while preparations for the funeral were being made, she concealed her hat and traveling bag under her dress and slipped out of the house. She was traced to a corner, two blocks away, where she took a street car. The conductor remembered her, because she was hysterical and tried to board the car on the wrong side. When she reached the railway station she jumped from the street car while it was in motion and ran into the ticket office. Her pursuers reached the station a few minutes after she had left for St. Louis on the Chicago & Alton train. Her husband came to St. Louis on the next train and at once reported the matter to the police. A detective was assigned to aid him in his search.

"Mrs. Burrows was prominent in church work in Peoria and aided in founding several rescue homes there. Her husband believed she would be found at some institution of that kind here and he was not mistaken. He went first to the Woman's Training School Home on Washington avenue. She had been there, but as there was no room for she had been sent to a Working Girls' Home on Locust street. There she was found. She readily consented to come here, but begged that she be not taken back to Peoria. My son will place her in the care of friends until her nerves become more settled."

Winston Churchill's Speech.—Winston Churchill, author of "Richard Carvel," made his maiden speech at Smith Academy Friday morning to the students there. He was graduated there in 1888. He addressed the lads on "School Spirit," advocated class organizations, praised the faculty and the graduates and gave them some good advice regarding their conduct and the responsibility attending them as representatives of the school.

MERIT MUST BE RECOGNIZED,

Says Dr. Burkhart, and to Prove Conclusively His Principle He Refuses to Accept a Single Cent for Treatment Until the Patient Is Cured.

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Read Carefully the Following Agreement:

We have received of Dr. W. S. Burkhart ten thousand Six Months' Treatment of his celebrated Vegetable Compound, to be sold under the following guarantee: Come and deposit $1.00 with us and receive a Six Months' Treatment with a bona-fide guarantee to cure the following diseases:—Kidney and Liver Disease, Fever and Ague, Rheumatism, Sick and Nervous Headache, Erysipelas, Scrofula, Catarrh, Indigestion, Neuralgia, Nervous Affection, Dyspepsia, Constipation and all blood disorders.

If the medicine fails to cure as above, come back in six months and we will refund the $1.00 deposited for the medicine. There is no sale unless cured; your money simply remains on deposit with us, and we hold ourselves responsible for the same. This offer is good for one week from date. Will mail a Six Months' Treatment on the same conditions to any address upon receipt of price.

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If you do not wish to accept the above proposition you will find the Vegetable Compound in all drug stores in 25c, 50c and $1.00 boxes.

REPUBLICAN PRIMARY

DELEGATES AND COMMITTEE TO BE CHOSEN MARCH 30.

ZIEGENHEIN IN THE SADDLE.

Anti-Administration Party Surprised, but Will Try to File Tickets of Opposition.

As stated in the Post-Dispatch Friday, the Republican City Committee met at the Merchants' League Club late in the afternoon and issued a call for primaries to be held on March 30.

The plans of the Ziegenhein faction of the committee were matured in caucuses held Wednesday and Thursday, and their programme went through without a hitch. As predicted in the Post-Dispatch, the committee, in addition to calling for the election of delegates to the two State conventions, sprung the scheme of asking for the election of a new city committee by the ward delegations elected at the primary. The object of this move was very plainly to give the Ziegenheinites control of the new committee. This they can secure at this time, while it is doubtful if they could secure it a year hence.

The call issued by the committee provides for the election of 197 delegates to the State nominating convention, to be held at Kansas City, May 15, and 101 delegates to the State judicial convention to be held at Jefferson City, Sept. 11. The call of the State committee for these conventions makes it unnecessary to hold a city convention, as each ward is to elect its delegates to the State conventions direct.

Immediately after the close of the meeting Chairman Kalbfell and Secretary Hahn filed the notification of the primary with Secretary Hobnitzelle of the Election Board. As will be observed, the filing of the notification Friday afternoon leaves exactly the 14 days required by law.

Secretary Hobnitzelle doubts the ability of the board to prepare for the primary in so short a time, because the lack of money makes it impossible to employ the clerks necessary to the preparation of the poll books and registration lists for the primary.

President McCaffery of the Board of Election Commissioners said Saturday that Tuesday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, was the last time for filing delegations for the Republican primary.

The Ziegenhein members of the committee believed Monday was the last day for making the filing, their idea being that within so short a time the opposition would not have time to organize and arrange for putting up delegations. The extension until Tuesday gives them their first black eye, as it allows an extra day in which the opposition may arrange for a fight.

Asked about the ability of the board to prepare for the primary in the short time—14 days—allowed, President McCaffery said:

"We will do our best. If we can't, we can't; that's all there is about it. We have no money with which to employ the clerks necessary to the performance of this work."

President McCaffery and Secretary Hobnitzelle held a conference Saturday with City Counselor Schnurmacher. Their idea is that if they can be assured that there will be no obstacles put in the way of the passage of a temporary appropriation bill in April, for the pay of clerks in the Election Commissioner's office, the board can go ahead and employ the men needed with the assurance that they will be paid May 1.

As a result of the conference the board will immediately employ 20 additional clerks.

Discussing the situation, a Republican of the opposition said:

"The fixing of the last time for filing delegations on Tuesday means a fight on the administration in almost every ward in the city. The people are disgusted with the course of the City Committee and they are aching for a scrap. The scheme of the push now is to allow no time for the opposition to organize. In order to keep their plans secret these supposed servants of the people agreed that they would not talk about the City Committee meeting, but would allow Kalbfell to do the talking. That is a nice arrangement."

A Ziegenhein member of the committee said:

"The Post-Dispatch so accurately forecasted our action yesterday that we concluded somebody was talking too much, so we agreed to let Kalbfell do all the talking."

The opposition, in a majority of the wards, will file delegations, the object being to prevent, if possible, the election of a majority of the members of the new City Committee by the Ziegenhein people. It is understood that the Mayor has only 16 members of the committee, a majority of 2.

Open during the parade, Henze's Old Rock Bakery Co., 417 Lucas avenue.

SALOON KEEPERS MUST PAY

Revenue Department Has Determined to Ignore the Decision of Judge Adams.

Revenue stamps must be fixed to bonds of applicants for liquor licenses, notwithstanding United States District Judge Adams' decision that they were not taxable under the war revenue act.

The following letter was received Saturday morning:

Treasury Department—Office of Commissioner of Internal Revenue.
WASHINGTON, March 15, 1900.

H. C. Grenner, Esq., Collector First District, St. Louis, Mo.

Sir—E. A. Rozier, Esq., United States Attorney of St. Louis, has furnished this office with a copy of the opinion rendered by Judge Adams in the United States District Court in the case of United States vs. J. L. Owens. This case involved the question whether the Government can require bonds given by a party making application for a license as saloon keeper, to be stamped under the war revenue act. The decision was against the United States. This is contrary to the opinion of Judge Leamon, in the case of United States vs. Ambrosini, in which case the same question arose in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.

In view of these conflicting decisions the ruling of this office holding such bonds taxable will not be changed. The decision of United States District Judge Adams will not be accepted by this office until the question has been decided by a higher court. You will continue to follow the ruling of this office, and insist that all such bonds shall be stamped by the principal, at the rate of 50 cents each, and if in any case a fidelity guaranty company becomes surety on such bonds, additional stamps at the rate of one-half of one cent on each dollar of the premium charged, are required.

If the persons executing such bonds refuse to pay the tax by affixing the proper stamps, you will report them for assessment.

The parties can make a test question, if they desire, by instituting a suit against you for the recovery of the tax after the same has been paid and a claim for refund has been made in the manner provided by the statutes.

ROSS WILLIAMS, JR.,
Acting Commissioner.

"Commissioner Higgins reports to me that there are 4480 unstamped dramshop bonds in his office," said Mr. Grenner. "These will have to be stamped immediately.

"The only recourse the saloon keepers have is the one indicated in that letter. They must first pay the tax, demand its return and if it is not forthcoming proceed against me in the United States Courts. Many men are threatening to hold out the tax until a higher court settles the controversy. If this is attempted they will be closed up. The United States Government or a United States officer cannot be enjoined and I shall proceed under my instructions to collect the tax. On the bonds in Mr. Higgins' possession $2240 is due the United States."

EXCESSIVE COLD IN OHIO.

Not in Twenty-Two Years Has the Thermometer Been So Low.

COLUMBUS, O., March 17.—All records were broken for cold at the local Weather Bureau last night and this morning, the thermometer touching zero. The records cover 22 years and no equal is shown during the month of March.

Bicycles direct from manufacturer to consumer at Neustadt's, 413 North Twelfth, $14.75 to $18.75 each. You save the middleman's profit; get the 1900 model.

Silks, Dress Goods, Wash Goods, White Goods.

Monday, March 19th.

All the Dress Materials selected by us for this season—the Printed Silks, fine light weight, Woolens, Challies, Dimities, Zephyrs, Lawns, Mulls and Nainsooks, are fully ready for examination.

Important and carefully detailed announcements regarding these goods will appear in the papers next Monday morning.

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If you purchase your supplies from
Rawlings Sporting Goods Co. 620 LOCUST STREET.
Try Our Hand-Loaded Shells, $2.00 Per Hundred.

Burlington Route
BEST TRAINS TO KANSAS CITY, ST. JOSEPH.

ABNER COOPER BADLY HURT

Aged Real Estate Dealer Knocked Down by a Horse Near His Home.

Abner Cooper, a real estate dealer, was knocked down and seriously injured by a wagon at Leffingwell avenue and Wash street at 9:15 o'clock Saturday morning.

Mr. Cooper lives at 1042 North Leffingwell avenue. He had started downtown on business and was crossing the street when he was run down by a wagon of the St. Louis Carpet Co., driven by William Hughes. Mr. Cooper is 80 years old and he did not see the approach of the wagon, a Suburban car obstructing his view.

The horses knocked the aged man down and trampled upon him. He was carried into Dr. Kruse's office at 2726 Stoddard street, where he was examined and it was found that he had sustained several painful scalp wounds and was injured internally. He was taken to his home. On account of Mr. Cooper's advanced age the physician says he may not survive his injuries.

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FOREST PARK UNIVERSITY.

Alumnae and Students Will Give a Banquet Monday Night.

The Forest Park University Alumnae and Students' Association will hold their banquet Monday, March 19, at 6:30 p. m., at the Planters' Hotel. The prologue will be given by the president of the association.

Toasts will be responded to by the following well-known speakers: Dr. McKittrick, pastor First Presbyterian Church; Dr. John Hopkins, pastor St. John's Methodist Church; Mrs. Anna Sneed Cairns, principal Forest Park University.

The music will be by Prof. E. R. Kroeger. Prof. Harry J. Fellows and Miss Kunkel, the violinist. An orchestra will play during the serving of the menu and the reception which follows the programme.

There will be a number of distinguished guests. Among them Mr. and Mrs. Walbridge and Rev. Dr. Rhodes, as well as many of the alumnae and former students of the school.

OBITUARY

Mr. Amedeo Rigali and Mrs. Pompilia Rigali, deploring the death of their beloved daughter, Mathilde, deceased on Friday at 9 p. m., invite friends to attend funeral that will take place at their residence, 325 Olive street, Sunday, 18th inst., at 2 p. m.

Clothing Stolen.

An unidentified thief entered the room of Charles H. Jones, 105 South Sixth street, Friday afternoon, and stole clothing valued at $100. Entrance was made by means of a duplicate key.

DEATHS.

BEYERT—On Thursday, March 15, 1900, at 1:30 p. m., Theodore Frederick Beyert, beloved husband of Mamie F. Beyert (nee Schwoerer), and father of Theodore Beyert, after a lingering illness, at the age of 28 years and 7 months.

Funeral from family residence, 4978 Natural Bridge road, Sunday, March 18, at 1:30 p. m., to Holy Ghost Church, thence to Bellefontaine Cemetery. Friends invited to attend.

BURKE—On Thursday, March 15, at 10 p. m., Mary Burke, beloved wife of the late James Burke.

Funeral from family residence, 2405 Dickson street, Monday, March 19, at 9 a. m., to St. Bridget's Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Friends are invited to attend.

BURNS—On Friday, March 16, 1900, at 6 p. m., Myrtle Burns, beloved daughter of William and Maggie Burns (nee Carroll), after a short illness, at the age of 3 years.

The funeral will take place on Sunday, March 18, 1900, at 9 a. m., from family residence, 1712 North Eleventh street, to Calvary Cemetery. Friends are invited to attend.

FARRELL—March 16, 1900, Albert E. Farrell, aged 1 month, beloved son of Edward J. and Rose E. Farrell (nee Howard).

Funeral from residence, 1319 North Vandeventer avenue, Sunday, 3 p. m.

HAGER—On Friday, March 16, 1900, W. Cullen Hager, beloved son of Frank G. and Maggie Hager (nee Cullen).

Funeral will take place from residence, 2217 Madison street, on Sunday, March 18, at 2 p. m., to Calvary Cemetery. Friends invited to attend.

NOLTE—Entered into rest, Edward H. Nolte, beloved husband of Fannie Nolte (nee Fisher), at 1 o'clock p. m., Saturday, March 17, 1900. Due notice of funeral in morning papers.

NUERNBERG—My dearly beloved husband, on Friday, March 16, 1900, at 11:30 a. m., Fred Nuernberg, at his residence, 4429 North Fourteenth street, aged 42 years.

Funeral Sunday, at 2 o'clock.
MRS. JOHANNAH NUERNBERG, Wife,
HELEN NUERNBERG,
ELSIE NUERNBERG, Children.

PETIT—On Friday, March 16, at 2:30 a. m., at her sister's residence, 2119 Wash street, after a lingering illness, Mrs. Sylvie Petit, beloved wife of the late Louis Petit, and sister Mrs. Louis Guenand and Mrs. Henry Pittet and George, Felix and Frank Bourgeois, aged 50 years.

Interment at Iron Mountain, Mo., Sunday, March 18.
Ironton and Farmington (Mo.) and Golden (Colo.) papers please copy.

REITZ—On Friday, March 16, 1900, Frederick Reitz, aged 60 years, beloved husband of Emilie Reitz (nee Seele), and father of Mrs. Joseph Backof, Mrs. Edwin Whitney, Mrs. H. Kaufmann, Miss Amalia, Miss Emily, Mr. Hermann, George Frederick, Jr., and Emil Reitz, and brother of Mrs. Hermine Bechtler.

Funeral will take place Monday, March 19, at 2 o'clock p. m., from residence, 2011 Wash street.

ROLF—Florence Rolf, aged 2 years and 13 days, beloved child of William F. and Ella Rolf (nee Baird).

Funeral Sunday, March 18, at 1 o'clock, from family residence, 2328A Dodier street. Friends and relatives invited to attend.
Sparta (Ill.) papers please copy.

Steamship Arrivals.

NEW YORK, March 17.—Arrived: Campania, Liverpool.
LIVERPOOL, March 17.—Arrived: Locania, New York.
NAPLES, March 17.—Arrived: Augusta Victoria, Constantinople, for New York.

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WOULD NOT HAVE A PENNY OF IT.

Minister Sued for Divorce Explains a Mystery.

BLAMES HIS MOTHER-IN-LAW.

HE LEFT HIS BRIDE DURING THEIR HONEYMOON.

She Is Worth Millions, of Which He Does Not Want a Dollar, and After Fifteen Years She Goes to Court.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., March 17.—Behind the remarkable story of the separation of the penniless Rev. John Addison Crockett and his millionaire wife is a story of too much mother-in-law. For 15 years the strange story has remained a mystery. Now Dr. Crockett has spoken and has laid bare the circumstances which have wrecked two lives. At least that is what he claims to have done, but there are some who think he has not and will not.

The first chapter of the mystery opened in Bridgeport in 1884, when Dr. Crockett took a wife.

His bride was Mary Hawley, daughter of Marcus Hawley, one of the wealthiest men in Connecticut. Their honeymoon took them to Florence, Italy, where not only did the honeymoon end, but the wedded life of the young couple also came to an end.

At Florence they were joined by Mrs. Hawley, the bride's mother. Then without warning came the astonishing news that the Crocketts had separated.

Quietly the young husband left Florence alone. For months the bride and her mother lingered in Italy, then returned to the Connecticut home. No explanation was attempted.

So, while folks marveled and gossiped, the young husband filled the pulpit of a little country church within 16 miles of the Hawley mansion, where the young wife lived with her parents, shunning society and hiding her grief.

For four years this went on, and then Dr. Crockett resigned his charge and departed without a word.

He went to New York, laid aside the ministry, wrote for newspapers, assisted in editing the Century Dictionary, and ultimately drifted into educational work. At present he is a teacher in a private institute in this city.

"No, I don't blame my poor wife in the least," said Dr. Crockett yesterday. "The long concealed truth is simply this. Our two lives were wrecked by too much mother-in-law. Both of us have suffered. Her mother—a wonderful woman, by the way, whose personal charm and magnetism were all-conquering—proceeded to manage our affairs. I resented her interference.

"It was for my bride to decide which to follow, her mother or her husband. Her decision, although deferred a few hours, was never in doubt for an instant. The strong-willed mother dominated her absolutely and we parted.

"One thing let me say most emphatically. Malicious gossip has accused my wife of many terrible things in explanation of our separation. She was guilty of no wrong.

"I see in the action for divorce which my wife has at last brought the hand of my formidable mother-in-law. She knows that the law will give me a share in her daughter's inheritance and would move heaven and earth to keep me out. Bah! She is taking trouble for nothing. I do not seek, neither would I touch, a penny of the Hawley millions."

ALL SAY THE TRUSTS MUST GO.

Republicans in Congress Loud in Denouncement.

THEY START AN INVESTIGATION.

INSIST THAT THEY ARE SINCERE IN THE MOVEMENT.

Congressman Fitzgerald Inaugurates a Fight on the Standard Oil Company Under Sherman Anti-Combine Law.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 17.—Both parties in Congress are shouting "the trusts must go" and all shouters claim to be sincere. Representative Fitzgerald of Massachusetts yesterday prodded the Standard Oil Co. with this resolution:

"Whereas, It appears as a matter of public record that the Standard Oil Company paid, in the City of New York, on March 15, 1900, the sum of $17,000,000, this amount being an extra dividend, in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of $3,000,000; and

"Whereas, It is a matter of public record that this last dividend is $5,000,000 in excess of the last quarterly dividend paid by this corporation; and

"Whereas, It is also a matter of public record that the price of kerosene oil, the sole means of lighting used by the middle and poorer classes of people, during the period of time between the declaration of these dividends, was increased 3 cents per gallon, constituting a tax on every home in the land; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That, in the opinion of Congress, this action of the Standard Oil Company is in direct violation of the provisions of the Sherman anti-trust law, and, therefore, punishable by fine and imprisonment, and the Attorney-General is hereby directed, in accordance with the provisions of that act, to direct the several district-attorneys of the United States, in their respective districts, to institute proper proceedings to bring the above-named violators of law to justice."

"I shall endeavor to have this resolution passed," said Mr. Fitzgerald. "I have personal knowledge of the advance made in the price of kerosene oil by the trust, and as it is a tax on the majority of the people, Congress should take some action to have it stopped. I am not actuated by a desire to obtain campaign material."

The Republicans are beginning to realize the importance of the trust issue in the coming campaign. Representative Ray, chairman of the Judiciary Committee, said to-day: "Existing laws are practically of no avail, because of the ease with which they are evaded. The people of this country need protection from the enormous combinations, but the remedy exists only in a constitutional amendment."

The sub-committee appointed by Mr. Ray yesterday to investigate the trusts is conceded to be one of the strongest that could be selected. It is composed largely of the ablest lawyers of the House. The committee as announced is as follows: Ray, chairman; Jenkins, Overstreet, Littlefield, Terry, Lanham and Elliott of South Carolina.

A resolution will be introduced in the Senate Monday next directing the President of the Senate to appoint a committee to investigate the reports that certain Senators are directly connected with and pecuniarily interested in trusts. The resolution will be drafted by a Democratic Senator and presented by a Republican. The resolution, it appears, is directed against Senator Jones of Arkansas, who is interested in the round bale cotton trust. The attack on him, his friends declare, is simply a lever to secure his removal as chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

UNIONS IN THE GRAVE

COFFINS MUST BEAR LABELS AND DIGGERS HAVE CARDS.

IF THE LAST PLAN DEVELOPS.

Then Labor Unions Will Control Everything That Is Manufactured From the Cradle to the Grave.

CHICAGO, March 17.—The latest departments of labor which have been sought out by unions are those of coffin making and grave digging. Plans for bringing both into the union fold have been made and success seems assured.

A committee has been appointed by the woodworkers to unionize the coffin factories. They will begin with a factory on Carroll avenue. They will insist that each casket bear the union label, which is a metal plate, with the words, "Union made—Amalgamated Woodworkers' International Union of America." A large number of members of the woodworkers' organization have been employed in the making of coffins, but heretofore there has been no movement to compel the manufacturers to unionize their factories, and so none of the caskets have borne the union label.

To enforce the use of union coffins, the woodworkers, as soon as they have unionized the factories, will attempt to organize the grave diggers into a union, and have them refuse absolutely to inter a body unless it is incased in a union-made casket. It is estimated that there are about 150 grave diggers employed in the cemeteries of Chicago, and, by organizing them, the labor unions feel that they could control the situation.

"We already have union labels on all cradles made," said Secretary John Lee of the woodworkers, "and why should we not have union coffins and union grave diggers? It is to the interest of labor men to have every article used, from the cradle to the grave, union-made. Union labels have brought about the use of union underwear, the drinking of union beer, the smoking of union cigars, the consumption of union bread, and why should we not label our product?"

SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

It Will Hold an Important Meeting Sunday Afternoon.

The Social Democratic party of St. Louis will hold a meeting Sunday afternoon, 2:30 p. m., at Archenbroedel Hall, 604 Market street, to ratify the nomination of Eugene V. Debs for president and Job Harriman for vice-president. The delegates to the national convention, which met at Indianapolis last week, will make their report.

The joint committee appointed by the Socialist Labor Party and the Social Democratic Party to draw up a plan for uniting the two parties, will meet in New York March 25. The agreement of this committee will be submitted to a referendum vote of each party, as they are both governed in the referendum principle.

The Socialists of St. Louis claim the party will make a good showing in St. Louis, and throughout the country. They assert that nearly all trades unionists will vote the ticket, and point to the declaration of W. D. Mahan, president of the Street Railway Employes' Association of America, at a Belleville meeting Tuesday night, in which he urged the people to vote for Debs, as an indication of what is to be expected from the trades unions.

Up to Date.

Our new location.

Rawlings Sporting Goods Co., 620 Locust St.

T. J. Wallace Is Dead.

BUNCETON, Mo., March 16.—T. J. Wallace, one of the largest land owners of Cooper County, died yesterday at his residence near this city, aged 63 years. He was the owner of one of the largest herds of shorthorn cattle in the United States.

AN INTREPID TRIO

THREE LITTLE BOYS CAME TO TOWN IN A BOX CAR.

BUT THEY WENT AWAY AGAIN.

Brass Bands Failed to Meet Them and They Nearly Starved Before Assistance Came.

Jerome K. Jerome's "Three Men in a Boat" had what in these days is called a "cinch" compared with three boys in a boxcar who landed in St. Louis last Tuesday.

These boys consulted the horoscope of ambitious and fearless youths—as spread upon the pages of dime novels—and decided that they were called to St. Louis to make their fortunes. So they came and took a chance. After they arrived here they learned that they were of the many who are called, not of the few who are chosen. But prior to that they had a hard time.

Lee Thompson, the eldest, who is 14 years old, was the leader of the intrepid trio. Henson Long, aged 10, and Emmet Vaughn, aged 9, were the ones led.

They set out from Springfield, Mo., last Sunday with 30 cents and lots of nerve. They spent the 30 cents for molasses candy and ham sandwiches at Rolla and the nerve began to leak during the first night.

A brakeman put the boys off the train at a water tank 10 miles from a station about daylight Tuesday morning, and they walked. Ten miles over railroad ties is a long tramp, even for country boys, and the intrepid trio individually wished they were back at Springfield before the half was reached, and collectively praised the freedom of their new life throughout the 10 miles.

At the station Lee besought a brakeman to carry him and his companions to St. Louis. But the brakeman was what Lee described as a "coid proposition." He wanted the "stuff." So Lee parted with the little band of gold which encircled his finger, as a token of mother love, and the boys were permitted to ride in a car loaded with lumber to the western limits of St. Louis.

The load of lumber shifted in the car several times and kept the boys busy dodging. After they got out they were kept busy picking splinters out of each other.

There were no brass band to receive them, out at Cheltenham, where they climbed out of the lumber car, a fact which disappointed little Emmet mightily. Lee explained that the union musicians were probably on a strike. This salved Emmet's wounded pride, but it did not appease his appetite.

So they went out to "cop," as Lee said. Dogs are numerous and fierce in Cheltenham and the boys did not make good. Poor little boys! They trudged from house to house for hours and did not accumulate a square meal among them.

With the coming of night they crawled into a section of fireclay pipe in the yards of the Evens & Howard Co. at Manchester and Barron avenues.

A policeman shattered their dreams of commercial conquest with a gruff summons to arise and accompany him. They arose and accompanied. The intrepid trio resisted the police inquisition and remained incognito 24 hours. Wednesday morning Lee told the captain who he was and said his aunt, Mrs. Flood, lived in East St. Louis, and he asked that he and his companions be permitted to go to her. A policeman was sent across the bridge with the boys. Mrs. Flood received them with surprise and hot biscuits.

Mrs. Flood says she told the policeman she was not prepared to keep the boys and that the officer said he would return for them within two hours. But the officer did not return. The aunt's husband did return from work, however, and ordered the boys out.

What became of them after that the Floods do not know. The East St. Louis police are looking for the boys. It is supposed they recrossed the bridge and are now on the way back to Springfield, unless they have already arrived there.

BRIEF NEWS ABOUT TOWN

Items of Interest Condensed for the Convenience of Busy Readers of the Post-Dispatch.

How are you, St. Patrick,
And how do you do?
It's the top of the morning
We're wishing to you.

To-night we will eat
And to-morrow we'll march
With our ribbons so neat
And our shirts full of starch.

And I'll tell you, St. Patrick,
Between you and me,
There'll be enough men in line
To set Ireland free.

Fire at Maplewood.—Roger Hamilton's home, on Esplanade avenue, Maplewood Park, was totally destroyed by fire Friday morning. There was no one at home at the time. The loss is over $3500.

Buried at Barracks.—John M. Gamble, 29 years old, of Louisiana, Mo., a former private in the Third United States Artillery, was buried Friday at Jefferson Barracks. He was killed in Manila in July, 1899.

Travelers' Annual Meeting.—Post A, Missouri Division T. P. A. will elect officers at its quarters in the Chemical Building Saturday. In the evening the annual meeting will be held in the Lindell Hotel. Twelve directors are to be elected.

Death of Henry C. McLean.—Henry C. McClean, long an employe of the Missouri Pacific offices in South Seventh street, a resident of Kirkwood, died at his home Friday. He had been ill for some time. He served in the Spanish-American war.

New Hats for the Police.—The Police Commissioners Friday awarded the contract for furnishing the summer helmets for the police force to the M. Goettler Hat Company, on a bid of $1.70 apiece. The new headgear will be a change from the old style.

Fought Off Robbers.—Three men tried to rob Frank Gurkey, a steamboat clerk, at Third and Franklin avenue in the middle of the afternoon Friday. They were frightened away by the arrival of several policemen, but not till Gurkey's right arm was broken in the scuffle he had with them. He had been paid off, $50, and was on his way to his home at 1212 Lewis street. The men tracked him from the wharf.

Kirkwood Candidates.—The Anti-Saloon party of Kirkwood has chosen the following ticket to be voted upon at the coming municipal election:

Mayor, T. D. Kimball; Marshal, Perly Secrest; Collector, Fred Dohr; Police Judge, J. B. Clayton; Aldermen—First Ward, N. Brewster Weeks and F. Warner; Second Ward, L. P. Hemm and G. D. Dana; Third Ward, William Ryan and Charles Ricker; Fourth Ward, Dr. John Pitman and N. G. Edwards.

Want to Be Sleuths.—Three messenger boys applied by letter for places on Chief Desmond's staff of "fly cops" Friday. The description they gave of themselves in their letter is as follows: Fred Mairson, Co-operative Printing Co., 722 South Fourth street; born Sept. 17, 1884. Charles Thul, messenger Western Union Telegraph Co., working at 417 South Seventh street; born July 6, 1885. Frank Sprague, chief messenger, Missouri Pacific Railroad, Seventh and Poplar streets; born Jan. 23, 1885.

Kirkwoods Citizens' Ticket.—Kirkwood citizens met in mass-meeting Friday night and chose a citizens' ticket for the coming April election. It was named by a committee of four from each of the wards, named at a recent meeting, and the following nominations were reported: Mayor, T. D. Kimball; Police Judge, J. B. Clayton; Collector, Fred Dohr; Marshal, P. A. Secrest; Aldermen from the First Ward, N. B. Weeks and W. F. Warner; Second Ward, George G. Dana and L. P. Hemm; Third Ward, Charles J. Ricker and W. J. Ryan; Fourth Ward, Dr. John Pitman and Capt. N. G. Edwards.

EIGHT ON ONE TICKET

AN UNUSUAL PROBLEM IN PASSENGER TRAFFIC.

MRS. PARKHURST'S CHILDREN.

Two Sets of Twins and All Under Five Years of Age—They Occupied Four Seats for One Fare.

An interesting and unusual problem in passenger traffic was presented Saturday to the railroad agents at Union Station by Mrs. Minnie Parkhurst, who was traveling from her home in Higginson, Ark., to Rochester, Minn., where she will visit relatives.

Mrs. Parkhurst was accompanied by her interesting family of seven children, all of whom were too small to leave at home, and that is the way in which the problem arose. Railroad companies have a rule that children 5 years of age and under may travel free when accompanied by a ticket-holder. Mrs. Parkhurst's children were all within this limit. They consist of two sets of twins, 1 and 2 years respectively, and a boy and a girl, 3 and 4 years old respectively.

The question was would the 5-year rule apply to Mrs. Parkhurst's entire family? The passenger agents consulted together on the answer. They tried to recall precedents to guide them, but none of them could think of a parallel case.

Mrs. Parkhurst meanwhile stood upon her rights. She said the rule of the company was clear, and that there could not be the slightest doubt that her children were entitled to ride without charge. She declared that this right had not been questioned when she purchased her ticket for St. Louis at Higginson, and contended that it would be unjust to force her to pay for the children's transportation, as she had not made any financial preparations for such an emergency.

Finally Agent Harry C. Apple of the Chicago & Alton road decided that Mrs. Parkhurst's contention was just, and that if she held a ticket for her own transportation, her children might ride with her without extra charge. When he informed her of this decision, she immediately purchased a ticket, and made preparations to proceed on her journey.

"That's where the railroad company gets the balance turned against it," said one of the passenger agents. "Mrs. Parkhurst and her children are entitled to occupy four whole seats on the train to which their ticket admits them, and will pay but one fare for them. But, under the rule of the railroads, governing the transportation of children, she is clearly entitled to all she gets. Fortunately for us, these cases don't arrive often. Indeed, I do not recall that one presenting such extreme conditions ever arose before since I have been at Union Station. Eight persons riding on one ticket is, I think, a precedent that will stand at Union Station for a long time."

IN CONFERENCE IN CHICAGO

Magnates Trying to Arrive at Conclusion Regarding a Minor League Team.

CHICAGO, March 17.—A company of magnates of the American Baseball League held another conference to-day with President Hart of the Chicago National League club with a view to reaching an agreement in regard to the placing of an American League team in Chicago the coming season. None of the parties interested in the conference would talk before the meeting took place, but from other sources it is learned the situation has taken on a broader phase than the mere placing of a minor league team in this city, and that the negotiations really involve the shutting out of any possible rival of the National League in National League territory.

The removal of Comiskey's team from St. Paul to Chicago is believed by many to be but the entering wedge for the formation of another big league. It is believed that an amicable settlement will be made whereby the American League will place a team in Chicago with the consent of the National League, but under conditions involving the giving of the best dates to the major league, a drafting clause whereby the Chicago players who show major league caliber, after the usual time notice has been given, and an agreement whereby the American League promises not to invade National League territory without consent.

Whatever may be the outcome of the negotiations all the baseball men appear confident that no baseball war will result.

Best on the Market.

Smoke Havanora high-grade 5-cent cigar—for sale everywhere. Blest Bros., distributers.

LOUISVILLE TO BE RELIEVED.

Seen From Shore She Appears to Be All Right.

ST. JOSEPH, Mich., March 17.—The smoke of the steamer Louisville is occasionally sighted where she has lain icebound five miles out on the Chicago course the past 24 hours. The harbor tug with President Graham of the Graham & Morton Co. aboard, started to plow through the ice at 7 a. m. A force of men had worked all night preparing provisions for the 22 passengers and crew aboard the Louisville.

The tug Andy carries 20 tons of coal to replenish the empty bins on the Louisville. To-day the steamer was sighted from here. She is believed to be all right.

Huntington Will Not Cut New Orleans.

GALVESTON, Tex., March 17.—President C. P. Huntington denies the statement that within a very short time the Southern Pacific Company will operate its Morgan line of steamships from New York to Galveston, instead of from New York to New Orleans.

MINERS COMPROMISE.

Massilon District Troubles Have Been Settled Amicably.

MASSILLON, O., March 17.—A compromise has been reached at the miners and operators' conference here and as a result there will be no strike in this district during the present year. The miners withdrew their demand for a 10-cent differential and also the 4-cent increase for thin vein work. The miners get a slight increase on "room turning" and "break throughs."

WHAT TWO CENTS WILL PROVE.

For a two-cent stamp Pretzinger Bros., Chemists, Dayton, O., will send a free sample of Pretzinger's Catarrh Balm. This remedy will prove and is guaranteed to do more good and to cure in less time, for less money and trouble, than any other medicine or treatment obtainable. A trial will convince any one of its merits. For sale by druggists or mailed for 50c for a full sized jar.

"Pretzinger's Catarrh Balm is the only medicine which did me any good in twelve years' treatment, during which I suffered with catarrh and for which I spent considerable money for doctors and medicines. I cannot find words to praise your Balm enough. In a letter just received from my sister, she says, 'the same as I, 'It's the best in the world.'"

D. Schwab, 683 Lexington Avenue, New York.

"Your Catarrh Balm is a household favorite with us. I have found it very useful in combating colds in the head."

Rev. F. E. Thompson, Mankato, Kansas.

VITALITY AND STURDY GROWTH DEMAND NERVE ENERGY AND PURE, RICH, NOURISHING BLOOD.

PAINE'S

Celery Compound

The Household Medicine

Mrs. J. C. Dunn, Tarentum, Pa., writes:

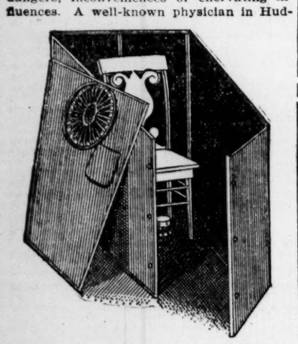
"I owe you a great debt for the good Paine's Celery Compound has done my baby boy and myself. About a year ago his face broke out in sores. We had two of the best doctors attend him, but the sores kept on spreading. Finally we tried Paine's Celery Compound, and one bottle cured him of a bad case of eczema. I am using the Compound now for nervousness, and it is doing wonders for me."

Paine's Celery Compound gives strength; relieves the body from suffering and exhaustion.

A GODSEND TO HUMANITY.

Ohian Invents a Device That Is a Sure Cure for All Nervous Diseases, Rheumatism, Weakness and All Forms of Constitutional Sickness—Those Who Have Used It Declare It to Be the Most Remarkable Invigorant Ever Produced for Man, Woman or Child.

A quick-witted individual from Toledo, Ohio, has patented and placed on the market a bath cabinet that will be of great interest to the sick and debilitated. It is a sealed compartment in which one comfortably rests on a chair, and, with only the head outside, may have all the invigorating, cleansing and purifying effects of the most luxurious Turkish bath, with none of its dangers, inconveniences or enervating influences. A well-known physician in Hud-



$1 OWING CABINET READY FOR USE.

son, Mich., C. H. Colbath, M. D., gave up his practice to sell these bath cabinets, feeling that they were to a very large extent all that his patients need have to get well. Another physician, Dr. F. W. Black, has followed Dr. Colbath's example and he, too, devotes all his time to selling the bath cabinets. Many remarkable letters have been written to the inventor from those who have used the cabinet, one of which, referring to

INFLAMMATORY RHEUMATISM

will be interesting to those who suffer with this dreaded malady:

"My mother was prostrated with inflammatory rheumatism when your cabinet came, one week ago. To-day she is around the house, the swellings in her hand and arm gone, and is getting perfectly well. Our doctor was very much astonished and says he will recommend the cabinet."

Quite a number of others write in a similar strain, and there seems to be no doubt but what the long-sought for means of curing rheumatism, Bright's disease and all urinary affections has been found. Others write of various benefits, one of the principal ones referring to the bath cabinet as

A FLESH REDUCER.

It is important to note that the inventors of the cabinet guarantee that flesh will be reduced at the rate of five pounds per week if the baths are taken regularly. There is, of course, a good scientific reason why the cabinet accomplishes the fact of reducing flesh and these points are well brought out in a very instructive little book issued by the inventors. As a means to

CURE SKIN DISEASES,

the cabinet is unquestionably the finest thing in the world. People who have been testing patent medicines, spring tonics and blood purifiers should get into a vapor bath cabinet and it won't be long before they have a skin as smooth, clear and glossy as the most fastidious could desire. The great feature of this bath cabinet is the fact that it opens the several million pores all over the body, stimulates the sweat glands, and thus all the impure salts, acids and moisture in the system are liberated in a natural manner instead of overworking the lungs, kidneys, bladder and the liver. A separate device, which can be attached to the bath cabinet if desired, is a

COMPLEXION STEAMER,

in which the face may be given the same vapor treatment as the body. This produces the most wonderfully brilliant results and will undoubtedly be popular with the ladies. Whatever will hasten perspiration every one knows will prove a beenfit. Turkish baths, massage, hot drinks, stimulants and hot foot baths, with quinine doses internally are all known to the majority of people as beneficial, but the best of these methods becomes crude and insignificant when compared with the convenient and marvelous curative power of the cabinet bath as referred to above. The cabinet is known as the

NEW BUCKEYE VAPOR BATH CABINET.

A pleasant feature of the cabinet is that it is so constructed that it may be folded flat in small space and put behind a door out of the way. An opening for the arm has been added, making it convenient in removing perspiration from the face and otherwise adding to the comfort of the bather. People building houses may dispense with the costly bathroom, as the bath cabinet can be used in any room in the house. For the sick room its advantages are at once apparent. The cabinet is airtight and waterproof, so that the vapor cannot possibly escape into the room. The cabinet is amply large enough to comfortably hold an adult.

There have been so-called bath cabinets on the market for years and have sold, not upon their merits, but because there was an urgent demand for such a bath. The new Buckeye Cabinet made by the Toledo firm is the only practical article of the kind, is strongly and handsomely made, and its manufacturers

GUARANTEE RESULTS.

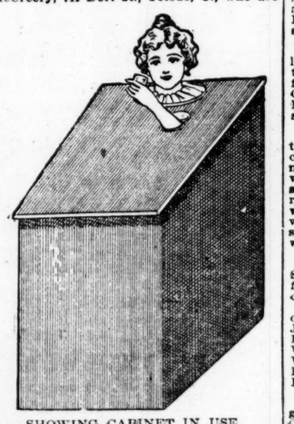
They assert positively, and their statements are backed up by an array of testimony from persons of influence in their respective towns, that their cabinet will cure nervous debility, clear the skin, purify the blood, cure rheumatism (they offer $50 reward for a case that cannot be relieved), cures woman's troubles, night sweats, insomnia and all diseases of the nerves and blood. It

WILL CURE A HARD COLD

with one bath, and for such a purpose it is really a household necessity. It is, of course, the finest and most luxurious and beneficial bath imaginable, but its real value lies in its marvelous power to draw out of the system the impurities that cause disease, and for this reason is really a godsend to humanity.

HOW TO GET ONE.

Readers who are sick or suffering from any of the diseases referred to above should have one of the remarkable cabinets. Space will not permit of a detailed description of the cabinet, but it will bear out the most exacting demand for practicability and curative properties. Write to Mollenkopp & McCreery, 744 Dorr-st., Toledo, O., who are



SHOWING CABINET IN USE.

the sole manufacturers, and ask them to send you their pamphlet and circulars describing their new Buckeye Bath Cabinet. The price of the bath cabinet is $5.00, and it would be difficult indeed to imagine where one could invest that amount of money in anything else that can promise so much real, genuine health, vigor and robust strength. Write to-day for full information, or, better still, order a cabinet. You won't be disappointed, as the makers guarantee everything they ship. The manufacturers state that it is remarkable what a large number of their bath cabinets are sold through agents in almost every section of the country, and owing to the money-making terms which they offer to all who are willing to work, it gives splendid opportunity to any one desiring to make money. Their references are the Ohio Savings Bank and any express company, mercantile agencies or any business firm in Toledo. Do not fail to send for booklet. It will prove very interesting reading.

CHARITY PATIENT HAS MONEY

Mrs. Mary Weiser of Gurdon, Ark., Found to Have $100 in Bills and a $900 Check.

In the observation ward at the City Hospital is Mrs. Mary Weiser, who arrived in St. Louis Friday night from Gurdon, Ark., on an Iron Mountain train.

The hospital authorities have $100 in bills and a check for $900 belonging to her, but so far they have been unable to secure any definite information concerning her relatives or friends.

Mrs. Weiser's mind is unbalanced. She acted so queerly on the train en route here that the conductor notified Station Master Cowling to have an officer in readiness to take charge of her when the train pulled in. The other passengers saw she was in need of medical treatment and took up a collection of $20 for her, not knowing she had money.

Mrs. Weiser talks volubly, but unintelligibly. From her rambling remarks it is evident, though, that she came to St. Louis to secure employment. She talks considerably about a Mrs. McCarthy, whom she knew when she lived in St. Louis some six years ago, and whom she is anxious to see again. Mrs. Weiser mentioned Sixth and Spruce street several times during her talk, and it is supposed that either she formerly lived there or that is the locality in which Mrs. McCarthy resides.

Mrs. Weiser does not like the City Hospital. She complained of the coldness of her cell Saturday morning, and said that two little blankets were not enough to keep her warm. She also complained because she could get no hot coffee when she wanted it.

FELL DOWN A STEEP STAIRWAY.

Martin Maher Was Hunting a Friend at a Powerhouse.

Martin Maher of 1448 Francis street is at the City Hospital with a painful fracture of the right elbow. According to official reports, Maher, who is 48 years of age, decided late Friday night to visit some of his friends who are employed at the Northern Central power house, Spring avenue and North Market street.

He was under the influence of liquor when he arrived there early Saturday morning. He had difficulty in finding the particular friend he was looking for, and started around the building in search of him. He saw a door that he thought might lead to the room in which his friend was working. Instead, it opened into a deep cellar. When Maher pushed the door open and stepped forth he fell a distance of 30 feet, alighting on his right elbow. An ambulance was summoned and at 2:30 o'clock Saturday morning he reached the City Hospital, where his injuries were dressed and pronounced not serious.

CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all Throat and Lung Affections; also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints. Having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, and desiring to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge to all who wish it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail, by addressing, with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. Noyes, 820 Powers' Block, Rochester, N. Y.

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THE LION AND THE LAMB

It is said to be common talk in diplomatic circles in Washington that The Hague conference has resulted in complete failure. Not a single power has ratified any of the treaties there prepared, and nobody believes that their confirmation is seriously contemplated, although our Government has taken one or two halting steps in that direction which, however, are purely perfunctory.

This is about what clear-sighted observers expected, but the public avowal comes earlier than was anticipated.

The sudden reappearance of the militant spirit just after this earnest effort of the Czar to promote the peace of the world is a curious coincidence. Commercial imperialism seems to have taken alarm and asserted itself more emphatically than ever before. The notion that trade thrives on war is new in political thought, but it appears to be deeply seated.

The largest quarterly payment the United States Government ever makes is $5,450,000. The Standard Oil monopoly has just made a quarterly dividend payment of $20,000,000. The mighty American Republic itself looks small when we look upon this huge and unscrupulous combination.

EIGHT-HOUR DAY IN HOMES.

Mrs. Emmons Blaine of Chicago has organized her household to the end that all domestic servants shall have an eight hour day, the "force" being divided into shifts of eight hours each.

Mrs. Blaine is always highly original in her benevolence, this not being the first time she has shown her humane disposition.

The objection to this scheme will be on the score of practicability. As Mrs. Clinton Locke points out, it may work in a house where there are a large number of servants, but what about the maid of all work? There are a thousand homes where one servant is employed to one where there are half a dozen. And the number in which there are more than six is very small.

Nevertheless the idea is worth discussion. The problem of domestic service is a phase of the labor movement of the time and will probably be solved along with that. Anything which helps in one direction helps in all others.

The sprinkling contractors' "bluff" should not terrify the Street Commissioner even for a day. They had ample notice They agreed to use a given pattern of sprinkler and should be made to live up to the contract. Don't give them twenty-four hours.

MR. SHELDON ON TAX DODGING.

Mr. Sheldon did a good bit of work when he attacked the tax-dodgers of Topeka.

"It is a fact," says the preacher-editor, "as any Assessor will testify, that the poorer people are entirely willing to pay on an honest valuation. But with possession of much money a man seems to acquire also a belief that good citizenship and taxation are things far apart."

This is a severe indictment of the Topeka tax-dodgers. And, unhappily, it is too nearly true of other communities. Citizenship implies rights and duties. The one cannot be maintained without the due performance of the other. If those best able to pay taxes evade their duty and saddle it upon others, they cannot expect the victims to regard them with any degree of favor.

Commenting upon the published facts, Mr. Sheldon says: "The chasm that yawns between the workingman and the man of wealth will never be filled up as long as the above facts remain to disgrace our Christian civilization."

Tax-dodgers should heed the warning. They cannot afford to shirk their public duties.

Cecil Rhodes' proposal to reduce the Dutch republics to the level of crown colonies does not bear out the assurance of the British authorities that the Boers will enjoy the blessings of English liberty. But it is dollars to dimes that his will will prevail. Triumphant greed has scant respect for liberty or human rights.

A GREAT DISCOVERY.

The competition among Post-Dispatch readers for a prize for the best article suggesting the names of most famous Americans is bringing to the front some almost forgotten names. It is calling to the attention of the people of to-day men who ought to be remembered for all time.

Among these is Joseph Henry, discoverer of the electro-magnet, without which, as a writer truly says, "all modern electrical development would have been impossible."

The fact that a piece of soft iron, placed in a coil of copper wire through which an electric current was passing, became a powerful magnet, seemed at the time of small consequence. Yet it made possible the Morse telegraph, the Bell telephone, the dynamo and the electric railway.

The dynamo, which can be built to develop 10,000 horse-power and over, is nothing but a huge electro-magnet with a wire-wound armature between its poles. When the current of electricity passes through the coils of wire surrounding these poles, the waves of magnetism which are produced cause the armature to revolve. And so, miles away from the waterfall or other source of power, this simple arrangement of soft iron and copper wire will reproduce that power and do the work of thousands of men or horses.

This ought to act as a stimulant on the young inventor of to-day. The field of knowledge is illimitable. Who will be the next genius to give the world something as valuable as the electro-magnet?

The shocking death of little Mamie Neiner, under the wheels of a Mound City car, came on the heels of the Post-Dispatch's protest against the continued use of worthless fenders. It is the duty of the city authorities to investigate both the question of fenders and the speed of cars and pass such ordinances as will make life reasonably safe on streets where the cars run.

CONSCIENCE MEN.

It is a hopeful sign when the conscience is appealed to in political discussion and moral considerations are given precedence over mere political or commercial advantage.

This moral note characterizes the Porto Rican debate.

The Independent says: "The protest against the Porto Rican bill is a moral uprising. Have not our politicians learned how dangerous it is to ignore or to temporize with a protest that comes straight from the hearts of the people?"

The average man follows his conscience in politics as in most other matters. He does not always understand the merits of the questions he is called upon to decide, but given the understanding he commonly places himself on the side of right.

In the Porto Rican case this average man knows little of legal, constitutional elements, but he has a tight grip on the morals of it. He will decide it according to his ideas of right and wrong. This moral temper is the salvation of Democracy. It is proof, in the long run, against all the seductive arguments of selfishness. And it will save the Porto Ricans from the outrage the commercialists desire to perpetrate.

The darkness enveloping the Postoffice building will enlighten Postmaster General Smith concerning the needs of the postal service in St. Louis.

A NEWSPAPER WONDER.

When you open up your Post-Dispatch or other newspaper it may cause you to feel some wonder if you know that, in all probability, yours are the first hands that have ever touched its inside pages.

The reason for this is that the paper is made from wood pulp. The woodman cuts down a spruce tree. It is hauled to the mill. There machinery strips off the bark, reduces the wood to pulp and makes it into paper. At every turn cranes, derricks, chains, cogs, rollers, steel teeth and other mechanical contrivances keep the material out of human hands. The immense rolls are wound by machines, loaded into car and wagon by machinery, put into pressroom and on to presses by other machinery, and finally printed and folded without having been directly touched by any human hand.

This is a mechanical marvel of to-day which is no doubt duplicated in other branches of industry. It is very striking in the newspaper industry, which stands in the very front rank of mechanical perfection.

The hardest work of a United States Senator seems to be to convince the people of his State that there are no vacancies in the Government departments at Washington. His health does not always break down under the strain, but his life is more or less shortened. There are no times so prosperous as to find nobody looking for a place in the Capital.

Mr. Sheldon's item about the baggageman who pays $500 of personal taxes and the wealthy prominent railroad official who pays only $90 will not surprise readers of ordinary newspapers, because the tax-dodgers have been for years a newspaper topic. Mr. Sheldon's care to omit names, however, will be particularly noted.

Pessimists who complain of the latest cold wave of March should not forget that no North American winter can be considered at an end before the 21st of the month. Winter in April and May is a proper subject for criticism, but March is more a winter month than a part of the spring season.

Senator Hanna's talk about "alarming the labor of the United States" by dealing justly with the Porto Ricans will greatly amuse everybody who has read much about the manager of the President. Such a course might alarm Mr. Hanna, undoubtedly; it is altogether contrary to Hannaism.

Both the ex-Presidents are opposed to expansion through bloodshed, and if the President were not hynotized by Mr. Hanna he might not find it difficult to agree with them. Possibly he will do so when he himself becomes an ex-President.

When Tom Reed was told that Congress now needs him to tell them what to do, he replied that they did not seem to need him to tell them whom to do. Our Porto Rican fellow-citizens will need no diagram of this one of the ex-Speaker's jokes.

Secretary Root finds that in Cuba our troops are in good health. Mr. Root should have extended his tour to the Philippines. The Otis death lists are a standing invitation to him to report upon the health of our army in those islands.

The stupid Republicans in Congress think the Indiana and Northwestern Republicans are fools. There are fools somewhere in the Republican party, or such statesmen would never have been elected to go to Washington.

The Consul at Pretoria signs his dispatches "American Consul," while his father signs "Hay." This prevents the exposure of too much Hay when their dispatches are published together.

The Empress Dowager of China, being only a woman, cannot understand why we close our doors and insist upon the opening of China's.

Plain duty and tariff duty never had, and never will have, anything to do with each other.

POST-DISPATCH SNAP SHOTS.

There may be a South African persimmon awaiting Pole-Carew.

The British have captured many laagers, but they are still without a Steyn.

When Mr. Bull shall have captured all the fonteins, he will expect the Dutch to take water.

There were several earnest seekers after Truth before he was arrested in Boston for deception by mail.

Dr. Leyds thinks the Boer war will continue 12 months longer, but perhaps he underestimates Little Bobs' capacity for bobbing around.

Mr. McKinley would perhaps like to remind Mr. Harrison of the possibility that our tropical possessions may become a great market for ice.

It is given out that Amos Hinsdale Plumb, son of the late Senator Plumb of Kansas, is loyal to the Republican party. Nevertheless, the Republican party is just now very much out of plumb.

Good Editor Sheldon doubtless deeply regrets that his Christian newspaper enterprise has given Editor Howe an opportunity to proclaim a belief that there is no life beyond the grave. But perhaps Editor Howe doesn't really know much about the future state of mankind.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

C. D. MARSHALL.—It is worth $5.

J. B.—There is no premium on a quarter of 1838.

R. C. H.—There is no premium on a 3-cent piece of 1867.

GEORGIAN.—We do not know. Write to some church paper or inquire of clergymen.

SUBSCRIBER.—Evansville, Ind.—The lists are published from time to time. Watch the Post-Dispatch.

S. COX.—We think you would be justified in taking lessons in illustrating. Pay is usually by salary.

VIRGINIA LAWTHER.—We are receiving far too many letters for the Famous American Contest to be able to print them all. Those that do not appear in print will, however, receive as careful consideration as if published.

S. H. H. SUBIC.—Of the Chicago anarchists, Louis Ling committed suicide, A. R. Parsons, August Spies, Adolph Fisher and George Engel were hanged. Fielden and Schwab were sentenced to life imprisonment; Neebe to a term of 15 years. These three were pardoned by Gov. Altgeld. You are mistaken in supposing that "they regained their liberty through some unlawful means."

A DAILY MAGAZINE.

MARRIAGE ON THE WANE.

By Rev. Joseph J. Koch, Vicar-General of Harrisburg, Pa., Diocese.

REV. FATHER JOSEPH J. KOCH.

To demonstrate how marriage has fallen off in my pastorate, records show that in 1870, when I presided over a congregation of 400 families at Locust Gap and at this place, there were 45 marriages. Last year in 500 families there were 40 marriages. There should at least be 12 marriages annually to every 100 families. A large percentage of the young men of my parish are improvident. To-day they have scarcely one dollar to their names. Some of them earn $30, $40, $50 and $60 per month, and a few earn more than that.

The young women, first of all, do not marry because they want to step into places where their mothers left off. Understand, their mothers cultivated the sweets of home after years of endeavor. Why should not girls of to-day also be willing to undertake so bright a task? They are not to be blamed for refusing to encourage the young man to marry when he cannot take care of himself.

The young men of my parish are not too bashful to propose marriage. They simply associate with the girls for the society of the hour, feeling that if they were to persist in their attentions they might fall in love with the maidens and in the end be refused their hands in marriage.

Young men should not become married until they are 21 years old. Young women should not think of entering the matrimonial state until they are from 20 to 22 years old. They should be willing to make home a paradise for their ambitious husbands.

A BUG LULLABY.

"Go to sleep, baby, or the professor will get you!"

A GLASS OF WATER AT BEDTIME.

The human body is constantly undergoing tissue changes. Water has the power of increasing these changes, which multiply the waste products, but at the same time they are removed by its agency, giving rise to increased appetite, which in turn provides fresh nutriment. If you do not accustom yourself to drink water regularly you are liable to have the waste products form faster than they are removed. Any obstruction to the free working of natural laws at once produces disease. Great weakness and languor on rising in the morning are generally due to a large secretion of these waste products, and the remedy is to drink a tumbleful of water—either hot or cold—just before retiring. This materially assists in the process during the night and leaves the tissues fresh and strong, ready for the active work of the next day.

JOHN SWIFT, THE RAPID READER

John Swift, the rapid reader, eat him down to read;
Sermon, essay, poem, leader—what an awful speed!
Such omnivorous absorption no good end attains;
John Swift, the rapid reader, ignorant remains. —Jeanie Peet.

IN ST. LOUIS, TOO.

Beauty no deeper lies
Than doth the skin;
Men who are truly wise
Will look within;
The treasures of the mind
Are worthier far,
Yet will you always find
That it's the pretty girl who stands
the best show of getting a seat in
the car.
—Chicago Record.

BOMBS FILLED WITH CONFETTI.

Those who find amusement in confetti throwing may be glad to know that a confetti bomb has been devised. It is a cylinder of strong tissue paper perforated round each end, the perforation continued along the cylinder in the shape of a tongue. In the center, where the perforations cease, is a strong strip of paper with a tassel, and when the "bomb" is thrown the jerk of the hand tears the cylinder, and the contents are discharged over the person for whom they are intended.

ONLY THE BRAVE.

"Now, don't deny it, Mr. Softchap—you're trying to lure me to kiss you! You wild, wicked, rakish young men are all alike—and I suppose I must yield with a good grace!"

THE EXPLOSIVE THEORY OF THE ORIGIN OF LIFE.

Seed—mustard, pumpkin, peas—in face, of any sort, may be plunged into liquid hydrogen and there kept for hours, yet when planted, under proper conditions, they will germinate apparently as readily as seed that had not been submitted to the terrific ordeal of upwards of 350 degrees below zero F. The condition of the seed, under the circumstances, affords the advocates of the so-called "explosive" theory of life with an admirable example of "latent existence," paralleling an explosive, composed of several inert materials, incapable of chemically reacting, the one upon another or the others, yet the whole causing a series of phenomena, under certain extrinsic conditions only—a vibration, a shock, or a blow for the explosive, the environment with suitable earth (planting) for the seed. In this assimilation a shell, or a petard most resembles life, and the resemblance has given rise, as we have said, to the "explosive theory" or hypothesis of the origin of life.

THE YOUNG IDEA!

Silly Young Man: D'you think I might ask your sister if she'll marry me?
The Child: I don't know. You'd better ask cook. She runs this house, pa says!

TEN MOST FAMOUS AMERICANS.

Five Dollars in Gold Offered by the Post-Dispatch for the Best Article, With List, on the Conditions Given Below.

The Post-Dispatch will give Five Dollars in gold for the best article, not over 200 words, giving what the writer thinks are the ten most famous Americans, living or dead, and stating reason for fame in each case. The competition is intended to suggest a list of 100 names for Miss Helen Gould's Temple of Fame, to be erected in New York. The competition will close with March 28 and prize winner will be announced in the Sunday Post-Dispatch of April 1.

Some New Names in This.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

My list of the 10 greatest Americans follows:

1. George Washington, father of this country—first in war, first in peace, first in the hearts of his people.
2. John Barry, father of the American Navy, the first man to receive the title of Commodore.
3. Daniel Carroll of Carrollton, who presented to the United States with the District of Columbia, on which is situated the city of Washington.
4. Andrew Jackson, who defeated the British at New Orleans.
5. Jay Gould, the greatest philanthropist.
6. George Dewey, the greatest sea fighter of modern times.
7. Horace Greeley, the greatest journalist of his day.
8. Thomas H. Benton of Missouri, the lion of the Democratic fold.
9. Allen G. Thurman of Ohio, the brains of the United States Senate in his day.
10. Thomas Jefferson, because he wrote the Declaration of Independence, and he is the apostle of true Democracy.

THOMAS J. O'BRIEN.
206 South Twenty-third street, city.

Everett and Bancroft.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

Following is my list:

1. George Washington—First in war, first in peace, first in the hearts of his countrymen.
2. Benjamin Franklin—The cradle of American Independence, rocked by his wit, shrewdness, thrift and diplomacy.
3. Washington Irving—The first American author to receive recognition abroad.
4. Grant—The silent hero, who so gloriously defended the nation.
5. Edward Everett—The most polished American orator, whose speeches in power and purity rivaled those of Demosthenes and Cicero.
6. George Bancroft—The patriotic historian, famous for a "Fourth of July Oration," in 10 volumes.
7. Emerson—The famous philosopher, poet and essayist, the Sage of Concord, and the American Carlyle.
8. Hawthorne—The greatest American writer of romance, has a place among the masters of English prose.
9. Abraham Lincoln—In the gallery of famous Americans stands alone. For him there is a "niche in the temple of fame, a niche near Washington." Setting the bond man free earned this for him.
10. Thomas A. Edison, the Wizard of Menlo Park—For his discoveries and improvements in the field of electricity is the most universally interesting man of the age.

M. HALLORAN.
4228 West Belle place, city.

Has Not Forgotten Hobson.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

The ten most famous Americans are:
George Washington, father of our country and first President of the United States.
William Penn, the founder of Pennsylvania and made treaty with the Indians.
Abraham Lincoln, gifted by nature with great common sense and everywhere known as Honest Abe.
Benjamin Franklin—He helped to draft the Declaration of Independence and was one of its signers.
Thomas Edison, whose inventions with electricity have lighted the whole world.
John C. Calhoun, noted for his wonderful orations.
James A. Garfield, who was known as a great orator.
Robert E. Lee was the most trusted of the confederate leaders.
Lieut. Hobson, for sinking the Merrimac in the channel of Santiago harbor.
Admiral Dewey, for blowing up the Spanish fleet and for the capture of Manila, May 1, 1898.

MISS MAMIE VOSE.
1213 Monroe street, city.

An Original List.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

Probably the 10 most famous Americans were:
Washington—On account of his faith, fortitude and ability to lead the fight for independence.
Jefferson—For patriotic attachment to republican principles.
Thomas Paine—For his essays on those principles, when their defenders were proceed and wavering, and which certainly inspired many to continue the war to the end.
Jackson—Fought the foreign and domestic foes of our Union to a glorious finish.
Lincoln—Although of very humble extraction, achieved and maintained himself creditably in the presidency, in spite of most terrible opposition.
Emerson—The most famous preacher and practicer of altruism.
Edward Bellamy—Showed the vulgarity and poor policy of competition, so plainly that the wealthy have profited immensely already, and all others will profit when they take advantage of his ideas. Dr. Holland to the contrary notwithstanding.
Henry George—Faced the most powerful monopolists in the world, ably denouncing them and proposing a better system.
Theodore Roosevelt—Statesman; as Assistant Secretary of the Navy, guided by Brumagem British and inherited bigotry, united us to the imperial smashers of republican democracy.

JOHN MITCHELL,
2217 St. Ange avenue.

THE GAME OF LIFE.

Life's a game of poker, euchre,
Hearts or cribbage—what you will.
Life's a game of love and lucre,
And the loser's chance is nil.

For a while on beds of roses
We may lie, if luck abide,
But if fickle chance opposes,
Where's the power can turn the tide?

Men may stake their all and win it;
Action is their only creed.
Life's a game, and those who're in it
Find the betting fierce indeed.

Up to-day and down to-morrow!
Speculation rules us all:
Laughing now, combatting sorrow
Later on—we rise or fall!

Every day's a new beginning.
But though men may do and dare,
Honors heaping, wagers winning,
Woman's game is solitaire.

WELCOME.

He was just a common dub
When he loafed around at home;
He was just a common slob
Ere he started out to roam;
But now the neighbors hasten
To bid him welcome home,
And joy to see him sailing
Across the rolling foam,
Since he found a barrel of nuggets
In the fields around Cape Nome.

INDISPENSABLE.

Pray, how will Sheldon—careful man!—
Conduct upon a Christian plan
His paper, "on the level,"
That we in wars and brutal fights
And scandals, "saltatory sights"
And plays no more may revel?
Whate'er his sense of right or wrong,
He'll find he cannot get along
Without an office devil.

Spring.

From the Minneapolis Journal.

The bluebirds have reached St. Louis on their way north. It's a-coming.

THE NEWEST BOOKS.

JOHN HENTON CARTER'S newest book is a collection of poems entitled "Out Here in Ol' Missoury." It opens with "The Rhyme of Louisiana," which is not in the "Commodore's" usual style, but shows evidence of long thought and careful construction. It is a picture of river and forest life that contains the spirit of this domain of nature's realms to a remarkable degree. Opening with an incantation, it continues with personification of the mystery of wood and lagoon as "Chandrake, King of the Jungle." Surrounded by his subjects, the wild creatures of pen and flood, this monarch recites the story of the creation of Louisiana, leading up to the birth of humanity. There is a true poet's touch in the sketch of this woodland spirit healing the wounded wild things under his sway:

And presently a young lizard came
In sore distress. He took the same
In his fleshy hand and soothed its woes
With speech that only a father knows,
And made it whole; and it went its way,
When a wounded bird that long had lay
With a broken wing now fluttered near—
It had suffered much, for a tiny tear
Coursed down its bill from the weeping eye.
He took it up and he kissed it dry,
And he smoothed the tiny broken wing,
When off it flew and began to sing.

Our Commodore's heart is in the right place. The above proves it, in spite of the awkward phrase, "that long had lay," which alone mars the quotation. It is also proved by the characteristic poems in dialect which fill nearly all the rest of his book. Long may he continue to write and prosper in his writing.

"THE Cyclopedia of Classified Dates," by Charles E. Little, is one of the best, if not the best, work of the kind ever published. It is designed for general use, as it possesses the essential features of a universal history, a biographical dictionary, a geographical gazetteer, and, besides these specific uses, a general utility fitting it to become a companion to the dictionary, both in the library of the scholar and in the homes and schools where young people are pursuing their studies. The work is divided according to geographical grand and subdivisions, the chronology of each country being given under the heads of "army-navy," "church," "art-science-nature," "births-deaths," "society," etc. An exhaustive index enables the student to find the date and locality of any event. There are 1453 pages. (Published by Funk & Wagnalls Co., New York.)

ALTHOUGH his military anticipations have not been realized, Mr. Albert Stickney's book, "The Transvaal Outlook," is not less valuable. It is a decidedly interesting review of the South African affair, historical, political and economic. Mr. Stickney writes as a Boer supporter, but he quotes copiously from original documents which amply justify partisan heat. The following extract will show the point of view, and it must be remembered that Mr. Stickney has had all needful opportunities to get the facts. "It is a war promoted and directed by the Rothschilds and their two hired servants, Mr. Cecil Rhodes and Mr. Joseph Chamberlain. Mr. Rhodes is a servant of the ordinary kind, bought and paid in money. Mr. Chamberlain is a servant of another kind, bought and paid by political influence, with money at its back. It is well understood in London—and in New York—by what means the Rothschilds have been able to secure the most powerful family influence in the highest circles of the British hereditary oligarchy." In short, "it is a war for gold." Mr. Stickney shows up the pretense of the Outlanders, who do not come out well when studied at first hand. They had no grievances save what were manufactured for them by the gold hunters. The book is racy reading. ("The Transvaal Outlook. By Albert Stickney. Dodd, Mead & Co., New York.)

THE multitude which has taken a strong interest in the discussion on "Housekeeping" in the Post-Dispatch and all married people and engaged couples should read "The Domestic Blunders of Women," by "A Mere Man," for light and amusement. The writer is above all things bright. He will only convince those men who believe in the French idea that a woman should be a man's business partner in the marital relation. Most women will feel "real mad" at the treatment "A Mere Man" gives her sex in this satirical, anonymous work.

Women Dwell Intentedly in Dirt.—I hope you understand distinctly that when I say you dwell contenedly in dirt, I confine my remarks within the limits of the definition that "dirt is matter out of place."

I do not think even the strongest-minded and the most pugnacious of you will deny the partiality which your servants—women servants, mind you—have for sweeping dust and fluff into corners, under carpets, mats and rugs, of disposing of burnt matches in fireplaces, of emptying dustpans into baths, and sinks, and other places, and of leaving their brushes and brooms, their dusters, etc., all over the house—in corners, under (and even on) chairs, bureaus, on the stairs and landings, balanced on banisters and indeed anywhere they can temporarily dispose of them—to the entire disfigurement of the house when you come down in the morning.

This putting away of things in places "handy-like" is a most deplorable system, but I cannot bring myself to blame the servants, for in it I see but a development of every woman's methods of what she is pleased to call "tidying up" or "making the place straight."

That is the way the writer speaks of women, all through his discourse, and what does he suggest as a remedy for the state of things he says exists in married life? Bookkeeping! The wretch! ("The Domestic Blunders of Women," by "A Mere Man." 12mo, cloth, 208 pages. Price $1. New York and London: Funk & Wagnalls Co.)

"A HANDY LAW DICTIONARY" is the title of a very convenient compilation—so useful that it seems strange it was not thought of before—by C. N. Ironside of 220 Broadway, New York, and published by the author. It has nearly 300 pages, filled with established definitions of legal terms, brief and accurate. Nearly every one is at times puzzled by the legal phraseology met with, and this little book is the best and handiest to turn to in such cases. Besides technical definitions there is much other cognate legal matter of interest and value.

Literary Notes.

The current number of The Outlook will be of interest to co-operators and reformers. It contains articles on the Rochdale Co-operative Association and the German Socialist leaders, among other features of great merit.

The Home Magazine for March contains a comprehensive story of the famous Hatfield-McCoy feud; an article on high explosives, including lyddite, which is timely, and other features of interest. This magazine appears to have a future.

At last we are to have Marie Corelli's "Ziska" in popular paper form. The International Book and Publishing Company have added this work to their line of noted copyright novels, purchasing from the publishers the right to issue a limited edition in paper form.

Mrs. Helen Cody Wetmore, sister of the Hon. William F. Cody, better known as "Buffalo Bill," has written a biography of her famous brother, under the title of "The Last of the Great Scouts." This work will shortly be issued by the International Book and Publishing Company of New York. The story is written in a charming style, with an absence of cheap "sensation," and is full of thrilling incidents.

The Smart Set, a new monthly, devoted to New York's 400, is out, in a bright, catchy cover. "The Idle Rich," the leading feature of the number, is by H. C. Chatfield-Taylor and Reginald de Koven, and is a fierce travesty on their own set. Other contributors are Mrs. Burton Harrison, Julien Gordon (Mrs. Van Rensselaer Cruger), Caroline Duer, Sarah Cooper Hewitt, Eliot Gregory, Julian Hawthorne, Edgar Saltus and Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

Mr. Richard Mansfield, so famous as actor and manager, is comparatively unknown as author and critic. He has, however, done most excellent literary work in odd moments of his career. He will contribute to forthcoming numbers of Collier's Weekly three notable papers on the stage. Mr. Mansfield is, indeed, well fitted to speak with authority on any subject connected with his profession, and his papers will undoubtedly be read with great interest.

The first important book on the Anglo-Boer war from the standpoint of an Englishman strongly opposed to the policy of the English government will be published immediately by The Macmillan Co. It will be called "The War in South Africa: Its Causes and Effects," and is by J. A. Hobson, who was recently the correspondent in South Africa for the Manchester Guardian. There are many Americans who are firmly convinced that this war is not only unnecessary, but essentially unjust, but who have no reliable data with which to fortify their beliefs. Mr. Hobson's book is a sober, restrained account of the whole business by a trained observer.

"As the Light Led" is the title of a new novel by James Newton Baskett, the author of "At You-All's House," and, like his first novel, its scene is in Northeastern Missouri, though it is not a "nature story" in the sense that the first book was. It is a country love story of the late 60s when the political issues of that part of Missouri were deeply swayed by the disputes of the Immersionists and the Psedo Baptists. Around one of these disputes Mr. Baskett has written the thread of his story which presents a striking picture of the features and customs of the rural Mississippi Valley. The two chief characters of the book are a well-informed uncultivated from stock dealer and the girl with whom his life is passed. Such material in Mr. Baskett's hands promises well for an interesting novel.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

(This column is open to everybody who has a complaint to make, a grievance to ventilate, information to give or a subject of general interest to discuss, or a public service to acknowledge, and who can put the idea into the fewest words possible. Letters from persons seeking employment cannot be given place in this column.)

Is a Selfish Man a Gentleman?

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

Why should working girls expect a man to give them seats in street cars any more than at a theater? When we are compelled to go out to work we are taking chances on all things. If the young man gets the seat first I say let him keep it. Of course we are not so well able to stand, but we can if we must. If we meet a young man that gives us a seat we always look upon him as a very nice gentleman. Yet that does not signify that others are not gentlemen because they retain their seat. It simply shows the true nature—selfishness and unselfishness. The unselfish always protect the weaker while unselfishness looks out for No. 1. ONE WHO STANDS
St. Louis.

Chivalric "Strong Leg Club."

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

The "Strong Leg Club," one of the best known clubs in North St. Louis, whose membership is composed of quite a number of respectable young men, has the deepest sympathy all young ladies who are obliged to seek employment in stores or factories for a livelihood and they will continue indefinitely to carry out what has always been their custom, namely, to unhesitatingly give up their seats to the above-referred-to-class of industrial wage earners, without any discrimination, whatsoever as to their attire or complexion.

The club is unique inasmuch as its president expects to keep the members straight and in good standing by his order of "all chairs dispensed with." Hence the name.
St. Louis. A MEMBER.

A Methodist's Criticism of Methodists.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

I have read Bishop Bowman's letter published in your paper, also the criticisms of him in last Sunday's edition, with the statistics of the loss of power in the church; also decrease of membership.

The cause of the decline is simply this: They are not Wesleyan Methodists any longer. In 1837, when I joined the Methodist Church, it had class meetings every week, a general class every month, communion or the Lord's supper once a month, a love feast immediately after, a collection for the poor of the church at love feast. Every one of the members belonged to some of the classes and they either had to be there or let the leader know the reason of their absence. At the quarterly conference every leader had to give in a report of his class. If sick they were visited, if in need of help they received it—with every care and attention required. Now there is no love feast, no classes, no general class, and, of course, no reports made, nor visits, no fund for the poor, and the preacher knows very little about his members, especially the poor ones. They have departed from John Wesley's teachings and from Christ, also. Let them commence where they left off. Instead of charging admission at the door, let them open the doors and preach the gospel as Christ did and live true to their creed and God will again bless them and they will prosper and grow in grace and strength. Let them try; God bless them.
St. Louis. A METHODIST.

SPORTS OF THE DAY.

SALARY AND BONUS.

M'GRAW AND ROBINSON AGREED AS TO SIZE OF THEM.

ONE OBJECTION TO ST. LOUIS.

That Is That It Is Too Far Away From Baltimore, Their Home City.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, March 17.—Nothing has happened to clear up the muddle in the state of local baseball affairs.

Freedman has not yet signed the eight-club agreement.

Nevertheless, the other League magnates do not appear to be disturbed by the situation and are preparing for the season all along the line. All the League teams are now in the South, with the exception of the New York Club.

"Buck" Ewing was still in doubt yesterday as to where, when and how his charges will train.

In regard to the McGraw and Robison deal, Capt. Hanlon said: "Everything as to salary and bonus has been fixed now with Mac and Robbie, and the only point they are dissatisfied on is the distance of St. Louis from their place of business. I feel satisfied they will be playing in that city next season."

Thereupon De Haas Robison who was by, grew reckless and said; "I would like to bet $100 to $50 several times that if McGraw and Robinson play on my team, nobody can name a club that will beat St. Louis out for the pennant."

Avoid the spring rush by buying now from the best selected stock of Bicycles and Sundries in the city at Neustadt's, 413 North Twelfth.

THE WESTERN LEAGUE.

Hart Rejects Its Proposition to Place a Club in Chicago.

CHICAGO, March 17.—The magnates of the American Baseball League held a protracted secret session here to-day discussing the make-up of the circuit for the coming baseball season. Great interest attached to the meeting, as upon the decision to be reached depended whether or not the League would have a club in Chicago this season. Those present were James Manning of Kansas City, C. H. Saulpaugh, Minneapolis; J. F. Kilfoyl, Cleveland; Matt Killilea, Milwaukee; J. D. Burns, Detroit; W. H. Watkins, Indianapolis; Charles Comiskey, St. Paul, and President Ban Johnson. Col. Whiteside of Louisville was on hand to offer inducements to bring an American League team to that city. President Johnson would not talk in regard to the probable action of the League as regards placing a team in Chicago, and thereby probably bringing on a fight with the National League. Some of the others present, however, said they would support Comiskey if he should bring a team here. During the secret session it developed that a proposition made to President Hart of the National League Club in Chicago had been rejected. What this proposition was, however, could not be learned. The secret session continued until late this afternoon.

The Alarm.

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ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

Secretary Kinsella Issues an Order to His Players.

Secretary Frank Kinsella of the West Ends has issued an order which reads:

"All friends and rooters of the champion West Ends are requested to be present at the trophy presentation Monday night at Havlin's Theater. They are also requested to wear the colors of the West Ends, which are red and blue."

The game Sunday morning between the champion West Ends and Shamrocks promises to be very interesting, as the Shamrocks have trained hard all week.

All players of the Association Football League and all the managers and officers will be present Monday night at the trophy presentation.

On account of big St. Patrick's Day parade, which takes place Sunday afternoon, there will be only one game played in the Association Football League, and that will be between the West Ends and Shamrocks. It will be called at 10 o'clock sharp. Mr. L. Riley will referee. The line-up will be:

West Ends.	Positions.	Shamrocks.
Brehme	Goal	E. Popp
Blickstelger	Full back	Strup
Kavanagh	Full back	H. Popp
Tighe	Half back	Ellenberger
Finnegan	Half back	Matthews
McCarthy	Forward	Harold
Corcoran	Forward	Casey
McSweeney	Forward	Baggott
Reed	Forward	Coddington
Kavanagh	Forward	McArthur
Kane	Forward	Roedel

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Mellow Age

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David Nicholson, St. Louis, Mo.

DICK ROCHE IN TOWN.

ST. LOUIS VETERAN BOOKMAKER PAYS OLD FRIENDS A VISIT.

CORDIALLY RECEIVED BY ALL.

Good Stories Told About the Man Who Made a Big Fortune and Gave the Most of It Away.

Dick Roche, for years St. Louis' leading bookmaker and best known representative on the American turf, is here visiting old friends.

He was kept very busy Friday shaking hands and explaining his presence here.

When he registered at the Southern Clerk Lou Harper greeted him heartily.

In the hotel corridor George McManus, Hank Wider, Tom Caddick and others of the old guard gave Dick the glad hand.

"These things," said he, "make me feel at home and remind me of the happy days I put in here in the olden time."

A few days ago there appeared in a St. Louis newspaper a story which read like this:

"Dick Roche, St. Louis' famous bookmaker, one time not long ago was a rich man, and Davy Johnson, now a leading peniciler of New York, was in hard lines.

"Johnson, while in that plight, asked Roche to loan him money quite often and Roche always responded.

"As time went on Roche met with reverses and he was near the end of his bank roll one day when Johnson appeared and handed him a sealed envelope. On opening it Roche found 30 crisp $1000 notes. They were only a small part of the money that Johnson had borrowed from Roche in the latter's prosperous days. Coming when they did they were a godsend to the veteran St. Louis sport."

Dick laughed Friday when [illegible] story. "I wish it was true," he said. "I clipped that story and sent it on to Davy this morning and wrote, 'Just see how much they think of you out here.'

"But Johnson is on Easy street now, and he's a good boy and deserves to prosper and to be spoken well of."

Roche is a modest fellow, and no one would ever learn from his lips that Johnson ever owed him a penny, but stories of Dick's big heart are not at a premium here. Here is one of them:

He settled at Chicago a few years ago and backing Champion Schaefer in billiard halls that failed to pay and helping Champion Jack McAuliffe and others along had crippled him financially. He telegraphed to a bookie in New York, a man he had often befriended. The message read:

"I need five thousand. Wire it."

The $5000 came quick. Dick received it at 11 o'clock in the morning.

He had come from the telegraph office and he had the $5000 in his hand and his hand thrust in his overcoat pocket when he met a friend, the proprietor of a big liquor establishment in Chicago.

"What's the matter?" said Dick to his friend. "You're not looking well."

"And I'm not feeling well," said the friend. "You see I've a note to pay before 12 and I haven't a dollar to pay it with. To repudiate it means my financial ruin."

"How much money do you need?" asked Dick.

"Five thousand," sighed the saloon keeper, "and only an hour to raise it in."

"Why, that's easy," said Dick. "I've got that much right here with me," and pulling the money out of his overcoat pocket, he thrust the $5000 into the astonished saloon keeper's hands and then walked on. The act saved the man from ruin and he paid Roche the money back with interest.

The men who write of sport are often forgotten by the people they write about, but Roche cannot be placed in the latter class. The greatest and best writer of sport that ever lived in St. Louis lay dying one day. The friends he had known in his better days had forsaken him and his wife was at her wit's end for funds when a rap came to the door. The messenger handed a roll of money to the weeping woman.

"Mr. Roche told me to bring this up to you," the messenger said. "He thought perhaps you might need it, and he told me to tell you that if money will save your husband's life, half his fortune is at your command."

True to his friends, generous in bright and dark days, quick to do a kind act and just as quick to strike down a mean one are traits of this veteran sportsman's character that are brought out in this story.

In a game at New York Roche was unlucky, but a "friend" who owed him some $2000 won heavily. When they left the table Roche asked this "friend" for $400. The request was refused, a quarrel followed, and Roche struck the man in the face and knocked him down. Both were arrested, taken to the police station and searched. On Roche's friend several thousand dollars were found before leaving the station he was compelled to pay his debt to Roche in full.

On the street a little later, Roche met an acquaintance whose wife had just died and who was in need of money. Hearing of his distress, Roche pushed the money he had taken from the other fellow into this new comer's hand and said: "There's enough to help you out. But if it isn't, come around and we'll try and raise a few more dollars for you."

For over 10 years Roche ran the only poolroom located in St. Louis. It was patronized by gentlemen and often the best-known business men went into his place and took a "flyer." It did an immense business and its proprietor was often credited with clearing up more than $100,000 in a single year. One day he felt sick and believing that there was too much excitement in the life he was leading he quit his business here and went to Europe. With his departure went the standard he had established in the local turf betting line and his old room, which until then had been patronized solely by gentlemen sportsmen and veteran turf patrons, soon disappeared.

It is the lasting friendships that Roche made here long ago that make his visit here at this time a real pleasure to him.

He was greeted warmly Friday by old friends like John Lindsay, Pat Carmody, Billy Hobbs, Col. Lew Clark, Dennis Devoy and a hundred others.

"I find St. Louis greatly changed," said Mr. Roche on Friday. "When I lived here you had no trolley lines and the streets were bad. I am told, too, that the suburbs are built up beautifully, and I am going to stay here a few days just to look around and size up those improvements.

"I will be here until next week, and then I will return to New York, where we expect to see the greatest racing season we have had in years.

"It will open at Aqueduct on April 16. The first week in May Morris Park will open her gates, and then will come the meetings at Brooklyn, Sheepshead and Brighton.

"Down East we like Imp's chances in all the great races. True, she is in at top weight, but when the handicappers asked her to carry 129 pounds I do not think they set her an impossible task. Next to her we like Jean Beraud.

"New York is very quiet just now. The poolrooms have all been closed, and a wave of virtue is sweeping over the metropolis that reaches from the Battery to Harlem.

"It is the same wave that has passed over the city before. When it disappears things will assume their normal condition.

"The wave, beside wiping out the poolrooms, may also put an end to boxing around New York. A fierce fight has been made on the Horton law and to-day, I think, will settle its fate.

"Yes, I saw all the fights that have taken place around New York recently.

"I think McGovern is the greatest fighter I ever set eyes on. In the ring he is a veritable demon and out of it he is a perfect little gentleman. When he met Gardner he was knocked down with a clout that would have put any other man out of the business, but instead of quitting he got right up and walloped the life out of the other fellow in no time.

"Yes, I saw the Sharkey-Jeffries fight. When it was over Referee George Siler asked me how I liked his decision. I said: 'George, I didn't like it at all. I think Sharkey was easily entitled to it. If you don't decide on points, how are you going to decide? Sharkey landed nearly 10 times as often as the other fellow and had the best of it in 18 out of the 25 rounds.' 'But,' said Siler, 'if it had gone on who do you think would have won?' 'Oh,' said I, 'that's begging the question. I can only speak of the fight as I saw it and from what I saw of it Sharkey was away the best. But you were in the ring and perhaps you saw it in an entirely different light to what I did. Sharkey is a wonderful fighter, is improving all the time and I don't see how they can stop him from landing some day at the very top of the championship ladder."

ICE PALACE CLOSING.

It Will Be Celebrated This St. Patrick's Night in Good Style.

St. Patrick's night will be gaily celebrated at the Ice Palace with a masquerade skating carnival, which will be the last affair of the season. Great preparations have been made to receive the crowd to-night, and the scene will be a magnificent one as the massive rink has been beautifully decorated with flags and bunting. Ten valuable prizes will be given for the best representations of the following characters: Prettiest lady's costume, lady's most comical costume, Bowery Girl, flower girl, Irish woman, gentleman's finest costume, gentleman's most comical costume, Dutchman, Irishman and tramp. The judges who will award the prizes will be selected from the audience. The doors of the rink will be thrown open to the public at 7:30 o'clock sharp, but only those in costume will be allowed on the ice until after the grand march, which will take place at 9:30 o'clock.

After the grand march Masters John Barry and Cy Young, St. Louis' boy wonders in the skatorial line, will give exhibitions of fancy and trick skating.

Madison Turf Exchange Reopens.

Trains leave foot of Olive street: 1 p. m., 1:30, 2, 2:30, 2:55, 3:20, 4, 4:25, 5:25, 6:25.

Tip O'Neill in Town.

Tip O'Neill, the famous left fielder of the old champion Browns, passed through St. Louis to-day from Montreal, Canada, en route to Hot Springs. While in town he called on Chris Von der Ahe, his old employer. See ing Chris' place all decorated Tip wondered what was up and he asked Chris what the flags meant.

"Oh, just put up in honor of your coming," said Chris and Tip for a little while believed it. When he saw other flags and was reminded that this was St. Patrick's Day he changed his mind.

Boxing Gloves

For boys, per set of four gloves, $1.00.
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Vondy Turns Irish.

Chris Von der Ahe, the old boss president of the old boss club, appears to have gone back on the Germans for the day only. In honor of St. Patrick's Day he has had his place at Grand and St. Louis avenues profusely decorated with green flags and harps of Erin.

The man who smokes the GEO. W. CHILDS generously good 5c cigar is always contented. He is not continually looking to see where he can find a better cigar for his money. He knows he is getting the best, and he keeps on smoking the CHILDS and lets the other fellow do the experimenting.

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It is a cigar and a record well to be proud of.

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THE BOXERS' CORNER.

Many First-Cass Bouts Take Place at Chicago Saturday Night.

At Tattersalls in Chicago this St. Patrick's night the biggest boxing tournament held in the West in a long while will take place. Interest is great in every one of the events, and betting brisk. The order in which the different bouts will be put on is as follows:

Kid Kelly and Larry Gleason.
Morris Rauch and Jack Madden.
Barney Connors and Tom Duggan.
Solly Smith and Turkey Point Smith.
Art Simms and Ole Olson.
Dal Hawkins and George Kirwan.
Ed Denfass and Jack McCormick.
The Tipton Slasher and Harry Forbes.

The match between the clever little men, Harry Forbes and the Slasher, is regarded as one of the most important made in years. Forbes gave Terry McGovern the battle of his career. The Slasher is undefeated. If he adds Forbes to his list of victories he will stand forth as the only man in his class that has any business talking fight to the Brooklyn whirlwind. The contest, no matter its result, is bound to lead up to early sensational meetings.

Big Jack McCormick has been down at West Baden fortifying himself for the meeting with Former Champ Ed Denfass. McCormick has a big advantage in weight, but Denfass whipped Billy Stift; Stift whipped McCormick. But then McCormick whipped McCoy in a punch.

Dal Hawkins arrived in Chicago Tuesday, and assisted by Dan Creedon, has been training for his go with George Kirwan, the rejuvenated "mystery" who is reported more mysterious and mightier than ever. The undefeated Art Simms, the Akron wonder, is ready to meet Ole Olson, and the two Smiths, Solly and Turkey Point Bill, are each intent on carrying away the flastic supremacy of their multitudinous tribe. Morris Rauch and Jack Madden will furnish a lively and entertaining contest, and those two lively chaps, Kid Kelly and Larry Gleason, will open the show with an earnest set-to. Tom Guggan says he will have more power than ever in his "famous six-inch jolts," but Barney Connors, the strong rolling mill lad, is filled up with all sorts of powerful punches to uphold the honor of the day and the reputation of Archer road.

Many of the railroads are running excursion trans to Chicago on St. Patrick's day, and the eight star events will be witnessed by many out-of-town fight followers.

We don't pay exorbitant rents, therefore can sell right. Neustadt Bicycle Co.

CAUGHT ON THE FLY.

American League to Meet at Chicago on Friday Morning.

It looks as though there might be war declared by the American League when it meets at Chicago this morning.

It appears there is nothing to the story that the American and National League rivals in Chicago have buried the hatchet.

"There was little or nothing to that conference between Johnson, Loftus and myself," said Col. Hart of the Chicago League club on Thursday morning. "Loftus telephoned me to come to a certain room in the Great Northern Hotel. I went, and found Loftus and Ban Johnson there. We reached no peace agreement, as has been reported. We simply had a short talk on baseball matters in general. I am still opposed to the invasion of the Chicago club's territory by the American League. I cannot say what the final outcome of the controversy will be, but I see no reason why I should change my attitude in regard to fighting for my rights."

Dreyfus of Pittsburg says: "The Chicago club has been improved some by the purchase of Childs, but the strongest man of that club will not be there this year. I mean Bill Lange; he is a wonder. In Clingman the Chicago club has one of the best shortstops in the business.

Andy Freedman declares the magnates have not given him first pick of the surplus players, as they promised to do when the League was cut down. Andy is kicking because Philadelphia got Slagle of Washington. Robison of St. Louis says Slagle, McGann and Mercer were offered to the Gotham magnate at a reasonable price, and he only expressed a desire to have Mercer.

Tom Loftus is busily engaged these days in throwing bouquets at all his Orphans.

Jimmy Callahan has received a letter from Bill Lange dated at San Francisco, advising his old-time chum that the happy day which will make Lange and Miss Grace Gliselman man and wife has been set for April 15. Lange states absolutely that he is out of baseball for good, unless Col. Hart should decide to pay him a salary of $5000 per season.

Patsy Donovan went through St. Louis on Thursday en route to Hot Springs.

MONEY FOR WARD WORKERS.

New Office Created and a Bill for Relief Introduced.

While the cry is being raised that there is no money with which to pay the legitimate expenses of the city government, the increase of questionable expenditures goes merrily on.

The Council Friday night passed a bill providing for the creation of a new office, that of clerk to the assistant prosecuting attorney, at a salary of $900 a year.

A bill was presented to the Council from the House for the relief of Magnus W. Holtz, assistant clerk of the First District Police Court. The bill carries an appropriation of $435.50, which is to be paid to Holtz for services rendered as assistant clerk of the court from Aug. 9, 1899, to Jan. 16, 1900. Holtz was appointed without authority of law. The office was simply created by the Republican machine in order to provide a job for a worker. The Auditor refused to pay his salary because there was no legal authority for the office he was holding and a bill was passed creating the office. The bill went into effect Jan. 16. In the meantime, Holtz continued to hold the office, knowing that he had no legal status, but depending upon the administration to "save his bacon." This the administration proposes to do by the passage of a bill ordering the Auditor to pay him $435.50 for services rendered during the time when there was no legal authority for the office he was holding.

Are you looking for a new business location? If you can't find what you want in P.-D. Wants advertise in them

SPRINKLING SEASON BEGUN.

Carts Were Out and the March Dust Was Settled.

The sprinkling season of 1900 began Saturday. Superintendent Becker said he had a full force of carts out. The sprinkling was badly needed, as the dry, cold weather has made a deal of dust, which the winds of March kept constantly in motion.

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Mariani Wine—World Famous Tonic

Most effective, agreeable and reliable Tonic Stimulant for Body, Brain and Nerves. Try it when fatigued or overworked from any cause.

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IS OFTEN WORTHLESS, BUT EGYPTIAN TANSY never fails; powerful, harmless Regulator! results immediate and absolutely sure. CRIX-US TABLETS, woman's safeguard prevents irregularities not taken internally. These famous remedies guaranteed and endorsed by physicians. $1 a Box by mail. Sample Crix-us, 10 cts. Free Confidential Advice by our physicians. Egyptian Chemical Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

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Primary, Secondary or Tertiary Blood Poison Permanently Cured. You can be treated at home under same guaranty. If you have taken mercury, iodide potash, and still have aches and pains, Mucous Patches in Mouth, Sore Throat, Pimples, Copper Colored Spots, Ulcers on any part of the body, Hair or Eyebrows falling out, write

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1537 Masonic Temple, Chicago, Ill., for proofs of Cures. Capital $500,000. We solicit the most obstinate cases. We have cured the worst cases in 15 to 35 days. 100-page Book Free.

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Every sportsman should have a Rawlings Expert Call to be successful in duck shooting. The only call made that will imitate the natural call of a duck; each call tuned by an expert and guaranteed accurate; price $1.50.

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Put up in 10 lb., 20 lb., 50 lb., 100 lb. and 200 lb. Bags.

10 lbs. cost 30c. and will cover a space 25x25 feet, and we will deliver any quantity, large or small, anywhere in the city.
Bell, Main, 1446. Kinloch A. 1654. A. B. MAYER MFG. CO., 1020 N. Twelfth St.

GET ONE THIS WAY

FROM THE ONLY M'NICHOL.

Three girls sat gazing out in the west,
Out in the west, where the sun went down.
Two were typewriters, and one confessed
That she had no business in the town.
"To board is hateful," they all agreed—
They said they were weary of life and breath;
No boarding house people knew how to feed;
Of hamburger steak they were sickened to death.

Said Mollie, the idle, "I know I'm no use
As clerk or typewriter or milliner's hand;
But I can keep house, don't call me a goose,
If you'll listen I'll make you two understand.
Let us hire some rooms, quite out of the way;
I'll show you my talents—what they are worth;
I'll furnish our rooms up on weekly pay,
We'll have just the dearest wee home on earth."

You'd laugh, I suppose, if I told you the truth,
The other girls listened, as wise girls can;
They did not consider it madness of youth
When Mollie suggested an installment plan.
The rooms were secured, the furniture bought,
Such carpets and curtains as fancy would tickle;
They ordered a lot, much more than they ought,
But they did not regret it, they went to M'NICHOL.

So two went abroad to earn as much money
As typewriting brings, and Mollie was cook,
And housemaid and buyer—wasn't it funny?
She kept her accounts in a leather-bound book,
But they are the happiest girls you can meet.
At night they have company, asked in to tea;
Their home is the envy of all in the street.
And just as a favor they've told it to me.

The old agony of lodging and boarding is done with. Plenty to eat, pretty belongings and no trouble to keep house with gas ranges. Ask
(Trade Mark) THE ONLY M'NICHOL,
1015-1022-1024 Market st., St. Louis, Mo.

P. S.: Beautiful new goods, all at lowest prices; furniture, carpets, curtains, clocks, couches, lamps, dishes, pictures, baby cribs and carriages; brass, iron and folding beds, bedding, parlor and bedroom suits, hall, library and office effects; coal, gas and oil stoves, ranges, refrigerators, ice boxes—best on earth; laundry goods and kitchen utensils, all of the improvements for saving labor; in fact, everything for a comfortable home. NOWHERE SO GOOD OR CHEAP.
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Best Set of Teeth $2.00
SOMETHING NEW in Artificial Teeth.
No Plates required. New Patent Anchor. Call and see them.

Misfit, loose and broken plates repaired and made to fit free of charge.

You can have the impression taken in the morning and get the teeth the same day.

TEETH Extracted Without Pain.

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All work guaranteed for 20 years.
All work done free—small charge for material only. GOLD CROWNS, 22-kt., $1.95.

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Best Equipped College in the World.
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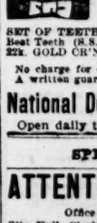
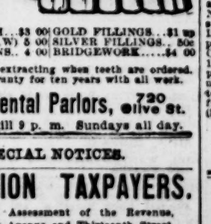


Until March 19 we have decided to make our best sets of teeth for $3.00.



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SPECIAL NOTICES.

ATTENTION TAXPAYERS.

Office Assessment of the Revenue,
City Hall, Clark Avenue and Thirteenth Street.
St. Louis, Mo., March 12, 1900.

The Assessment books for the taxes of the year 1900 are now complete and are open for inspection. Taxpayers are requested to call at this office and examine their assessments. The Board of Equalization will meet in this office on Monday, the 19th day of March, 1900, and will remain in session four (4) weeks, if the business before it requires it, and no longer. All appeals against assessments must be made in writing and sworn to. Blank forms can be procured at this office.

A. H. FREDERICK,
President Board of Assessors.

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Cures Gonorrhea, Gleet or Unnatural Discharges in a few days. Full directions. Price, $1.50. All druggists or mailed. D. DICK & CO., 125 Centre [illegible] N. Y.

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ABSOLUTE SPECIFIC FOR Indigestion, Constipation, COLDS, SHATTERED NERVES.

A Det is a tiny red pill, made only by the Dad Chem. Co., N. Y. 25c a bottle.

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RINGEN STOVE CO.
814 BROADWAY

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HOPKINS 25c MATINEES DAILY

This Week. Victory Bateman in **CARMEN**
Next Week. Isabelle Evesson in **SAPHO.**
Buy no tickets from speculators.

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25c Mats. Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday.
25c Mat. To-Day at 2. Bros. Byrne, EIGHT BELLS. Night Prices 15, 25, 35, 50c.
Sun. Mat.—THE IRISH ALDERMAN.

GRAND MATINEE TO-DAY, 25c and 50c
The Big Musical Comedy, "HELLO, BILL!" Night Prices—15, 25, 35, 50c
Sunday Matinee and Night—THE DAZZLER.

GRAND—SPECIAL!
Monday Next, March 19,
MRS. FISKE
BECKY SHARP,
(FOUNDED ON THACKERAY'S VANITY FAIR.)
SEATS NOW ON SALE.
Prices.....$2.00, $1.50, $1.00, 75c, 50c, 25c
Boxes.....$15.00, $12.00, seating 6 people

STANDARD.
The Home of Folly—Two Frolics Daily.
CITY CLUB BURLESQUERS
—AND THE—
TOBASCOSCOPE.
Next Week—NIGHT OWLS.

CASTLE SQ. OP. CO. ALWAYS IN ENGLISH. **MUSIC HALL**
CARMEN Mat. To-Day..25, 50, 75
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Boxes for 6.....$5, $3
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WM. H. CRANE
in his happiest success,
A RICH MAN'S SON.
REGULAR MAT. SATURDAY (TO-DAY).
EXTRA! All Next Week.
JAMES O'NEILL
In... Monday Night—Flower Festival! D'Artagnan Roses, (Rosa Artagnessis.) Presented to the ladies.
THE MUSKETEERS. Saturday Night, MONTE CRISTO. Seats on Sale Now.
Lower Floor $1, $1.50. Pop. Mat. Wed.

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In the Great Rural Play,
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James Q. Barrows and John Lancaster Co., 6 Da Comas, Joseph Adelman, The Connors, Rossley and Rostelle, Bob Brannigan, The Nawns, Frank Bush, 4 Earl Sisters, Dorothy Drew, Starr, Ella Morris, The Kinodrome.
10c—20c—30c.
Orchestra Chairs (Reserved), 50c.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

NOTICE to Stockholders to Increase the Capital Stock.—Office of The Shickle Harrison & Howard Iron Co., St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 26, 1900.—Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the Shickle, Harrison & Howard Iron Co. will be held at the office of the company, on Twelfth st., near Chouteau av, in the City of St. Louis, Mo., on Monday, April 30, 1900, at 9 a. m.; that the object and purpose of said meeting is to consider and vote upon a proposition then and there to be submitted to increase the capital stock of said corporation from five hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($550,000) to one million dollars ($1,000,000).

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GEO. K. HORLTZELLE, Secretary.
JOHN M. HARRISON,
GEO. B. LEIGHTON,
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Circular sent on request.

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE.
20 Words or Less, 5 Cents

BAKER—Sit. wanted by a good bread and cake baker; country town preferred. Ad. L 59, Post-Dispatch.

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BOY—German boy of 18 from country wants to work in meat market; best of reference. Ad. P. W., 619 S. 4th st.

BOY—Sit. wanted by an honest, reliable colored boy, for to travel with a gent; can furnish references and stand examination. Apply 2612 Stoddard; call for H. Hill, between 4 and 5 and 7 and 8.

BOY—Sit. wanted by youth of 18, to learn a trade. Address R 62, Post-Dispatch.

CARPENTER—Sit. by good carpenter; must have work; 25c per hour. Call or address 2209 Benton st.

CLERK—Grocery clerk desires sit.; 10 years' experience; A No. 1 references. Ad. A 68, Post-Dispatch.

CLERK—Wanted, position as bill or shipping clerk. Ad. R 69, Post-Dispatch.

COACHMAN—Sit. wanted by coachman who thoroughly understands gentlemen's roadsters or carriage horses. Coachman, 3454 Lindell av.

COLLECTOR—Bright, industrious young man wishes position; experienced in office work, collecting and delivering; refs. furnished. Ad. D 54, Post-Dispatch.

COLLECTOR—Sit. wanted as collector or office man; large acquaintance and experience; best references, bond, etc. Ad. D 67, Post-Dispatch.

COLLECTOR—A young man attending night school desires situation as collector; in answering please state salary. Ad. N 58, Post-Dispatch.

COOK—Sit. wanted by first-class pastry cook and cake baker. Ad. O 116, Post-Dispatch.

DRIVER—Sit. wanted by young colored man as driver for doctor. McIlvi, 2706 N. 11th st.

DRUG CLERK—Sit. wanted by drug clerk, who can invest some money; no night bell answered. Ad. L 65, Post-Dispatch.

DRUGGIST—Sit. wanted by druggist; reliet clerk wishes several more steady engagements; references. Ad. T 67, Post-Dispatch.

DRUG CLERK—Sit. wanted by drug clerk; registered; experienced; A1 prescription and salesman; references. Ad. N 68, Post-Dispatch.

ENGINEER—Position wanted by thoroughly experienced and reliable engineer; can do own firing if necessary; also handy with tools. Ad. M 64, Post-Dispatch.

FIREMAN—First-class fireman wants a position; have good references. Ad. 3186 S. King's highway.

JANITOR—Situation by a first-class janitor or houseman; understands the work well; salary $20 or $25. 2824 Adams st.

MAN—Sit. wanted by colored man; first-class janitor; not afraid of work. 2824 Adams.

MAN—Sit. wanted by gentleman of good address; wishes position as salesman in city; can furnish salesman's rig. Ad. B 115, Post-Dispatch.

MAN—Sit. wanted by young man of 28; sober and steady; night watchman; can give best references. Ad. 4026 Wilson av.

MAN—Sit. wanted by young man of 23; 2 years' experience in machine shop; would like to have lathe work. Ed Sanders, 1026 N. High st.

MAN—Wanted, sit. driving team, by a sober, industrious young man; well acquainted in the city; reference. Ad. T 65, Post-Dispatch.

MAN—Sit. wanted by a man of 20 years; experienced with horses; well posted about the city. Ad. 1859 Madison st.

MAN—23, in country, wants sit. in city after March; references from schools taught. For information address R 54, Post-Dispatch.

OPERATOR—Sit. wanted by operator and retoucher; am first-class allround photographer. Ad. A 158, Post-Dispatch.

PACKER—Situation wanted by packer in wholesale house; 5 years' experience; good references. Ad. C 35, Post-Dispatch.

SALESMAN—Position wanted as city cigar salesman; 10 years' experience; or, some good line for city. Ad. T 68, Post-Dispatch.

STENOGRAPHER—Young man 19, good stenographer and typewriter; can take down good work; desires position; $6 to begin. Ad. O 62, Post-Dispatch.

HELP WANTED—MALE.

BARBER WANTED—Barber; good job for right man; 15c shop. 219 N. 18th st.

BARBER WANTED—A good barber; with or without tools; guarantee. 1233 N. Broadway.

BARBER WANTED—Good barber for Saturday and Sunday. 1725 Franklin av.

BARBER WANTED—Good barber. 6116 Bartmer av.; take Suburban car.

BARBER WANTED—Barber for Saturday and Sunday; $3.50 guaranteed. 2906 Natural Bridge rd.

BOYS WANTED—Experienced hand learners for seam pressing on pants. Apply Schwab Clothing Co., 15th and Olive sts., 4th floor.

BOY WANTED—Paste boy; none but experienced need apply. Call 1502 Washington av. after 6:30.

BOY WANTED—Colored boy to wash dishes. Apply Hotel Beers.

CABINET MAKER WANTED—At once, a good cabinet maker for order work and repairing on furniture; only good one need to apply; steady employment. Arkansas Upholstery and Cabinet Co., 704 Main st., Little Rock, Ark.

COACHMAN WANTED—A good man for coachman and to work around the house. Ad. M 66, Post-Dispatch.

COLLECTORS WANTED—Two good men for collecting and soliciting; acquainted with the city. Call at 1230 Olive st., third floor, 6 o'clock p. m. Saturday.

CONCERT every night at Vogel's, 111 N. 6th st.

CUTTER WANTED—Lining cutter. Bry Bro. Cloak Co., 10th and Lucas av.

DISHWASHER WANTED—Middle-aged man to wash dishes. 1506 Franklin av.

DISHWASHER WANTED—Young man for dishwashing. 2939 Franklin av.

DRIVER WANTED—Man to drive ash wagon; $12 month; board. 1226 Clark av.

FARMHANDS WANTED—Good wages to good farmhands that can milk; Germans or Swedes; man to cook for men. Von Schrader Farm, Clayton rd.

MAN WANTED—Young man as yardman or houseman. 360 N. Taylor av., near Olive st. car.

MAN WANTED—Man willing to work cheap, to assist in dining room. 1707 S. 7th st.

MAN WANTED—All allround mechanic to do carpenter and brick work, etc., that will rent five-room frame house at Ellendale, at $12.50 per month; will take rent out in work; lot 75x175; two cisterns, stable and chicken yard; by a real estate firm. Address, with reference, R 66, Post-Dispatch.

MAN AND WIFE WANTED—White, without children, by a widower, living in small city about 150 miles from St. Louis; woman must be a first-class cook and competent in every way to look after a fine home; man must be good horseman and accustomed to care of grounds; no gardening; will pay good wages for proper servants; first-class references required. Ad. M 68, Post-Dispatch.

MEN WANTED—Everywhere to travel; $15 weekly; also expenses and commission; some local; no fake. Address "Sales Department," 3943 Market st., Philadelphia.

MEN WANTED—Men to learn barber trade; this is the busy season; 500 positions ready; $15 weekly guaranteed; two months' term completes; special offer; can earn scholarship working for us; new field; commission allowed, tools presented; two years saved; write to-day for catalogue and particulars. Moler Barber College, 1141 Market st.

MEN WANTED—To stop at Grace Hotel, 414 Market; rooms 25c a day; $1.50 week and up.

MEN WANTED—Experienced men to sort and cure up cut soles. Friedman Bros. Shoe Co., 8417 Locust st.

MEN WANTED—To try Harris' box calf shoes, $2.95. Harris, $4 Shoe Man, 520 Pine st.

PHOTOGRAPH PRINTER—No. 1 photograph printer; best wages paid. Ad. N 66, Post-Dispatch.

PORTER WANTED—Colored porter; used to hotel work. Mona House, 203½ N. 6th st.

PORTER WANTED—Porter in liquor store. 1612 Market st.

PRESSMAN WANTED—On small press. J. H. Tomkins Pig. Co., 6 N. 8th st.

PRIVATE diseases a specialty at Franklin Avenue Free Dispensary, 1214 Franklin av.

SHOEMAKER WANTED—First-class operator on slugging machine. Desnoyers, 21st and Lucas.

S. KEANE, tailor to the consol, swell suits a specialty, at 2107 Eugenia st.

TAILORS, ETC., WANTED—Tailors, basters on custom coats. 218 N. 8th st., room 14.

TEAMSTER WANTED—Good teamster. Globe Wrecking Co. Apply 2043 Bernard st.

TIEMAKERS WANTED—1000 tiemakers; pay, 11c to 12½c at stump; inspection once a week; pay once a month; fine timber and healthy locality; also 50 teams to haul ties. Apply to Holladay-Klotz Land and Lumber Co., Greenville, Mo.

WAITER WANTED—Neat young waiter in bakery; at once. 611-613 Morgan st.

WAITER WANTED—Waiter at 705 Pine st.; man.

STOVE REPAIRS
For every stove or range made in the United States to be had "A. G. BRAUER'S, 219 Locust st.

SALESMEN WANTED.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

SALESMAN WANTED—Salesman to solicit orders for furniture, carpets, etc.; speak German. Ad. X 65, Post-Dispatch.

SALESMAN WANTED—Traveling salesman for wholesale boot and shoe house, for I. C. R. R., from New Orleans to Holly Springs, Miss., and all its branches; must know the line and be thoroughly acquainted in this territory; no others need apply. Ad. with references, P. O. Box 235, New Orleans.

SALESMEN WANTED—For new blackberry; propagates from tips; does not sprout all over farm, like old kinds; full line of fruit and ornamental trees; start now for fall delivery. Lawrence Nursery Co., Lawrence, Kan.

SALESMAN WANTED—For hardware in St. Louis and surrounding towns; permanent position to energetic party; experience not necessary. Address, with stamp, The Ohio Automobile & Wrench Co., 76 Wick block, Cleveland, O.

AGENTS WANTED.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

AGENTS WANTED—Agents and salesmen, our aluminum vest pocket sells at sight to everybody; a bonanza for agents; send 10 cents for postage for sample and full particulars. D. Ewald Novelty Works, Eau Claire, Wis.

AGENTS WANTED—Portrait agents everywhere, quit "crayons;" try washable enamelines; no glass; don't rub; cheap. Family Portrait Co., Chicago.

AGENTS WANTED—$300 monthly selling Specialty Soap; sample outfit free. Lease Soap Co., Cincinnati, O.

AGENTS WANTED—Agents; $10 daily guaranteed workers handling Combination Shirt Bosom; red hot seller; 20 shirts in 1; entirely new; stylish; saves laundry bills; sample 25c; catalogue fast sellers free. Ac. Louis Supply Co., Chicago.

AGENTS WANTED—Agents make $6 to $10 a day selling the cheapest and most perfect water filter ever invented; retails at $1.50; big profit to agents; exclusive territory. Seneca Filter Co., Seneca, Mo.

BIG offer to agents; diamond ring contest; big commission on each ticket paid weekly. Genelli, 923 Olive.

MAIL ORDERS.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

CLEAN Your Carpets and Wallpaper YOURSELF NOW 5 Recipes 10c coin or stamps. Instructions plain. J. E. Baker, 2547 N. Market St., St. Louis, Mo.

PARTNERS WANTED.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

PARTNER WANTED—Gentleman with $2000 to invest in business clearing $5000 annually. Address box 45, Chenoyville, Ill.

CANVASSERS AND SOLICITORS.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

SOLICITOR WANTED—Steady young man to solicit business; nothing to sell; must be a good hustler; commission and salary to the proper man. Ad. W 67, Post-Dispatch.

SOLICITORS WANTED—Tea and coffee solicitors; $2 a day for next six weeks; no interference with other goods. Call W. C. Prince, 1617 N. Leffingwell av.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE.
20 Words or Less, 5 Cents.

CHAMBERMAID—Sit. wanted as chambermaid. Call or address 4154 Fairfax av.

DRESSMAKER—1st-class dressmaker with 18 years' experience wants work by the day or position in a store. Ad. 2242 Washington av.

HOUSEKEEPER—Sit. wanted by young widow as housekeeper in private family or hotel; no objection to leaving city; can give best references. Address W 66, Post-Dispatch.

HOUSEKEEPER—Wanted, position as housekeeper by middle-aged widow; experienced cook and musician; references. Ad. W 64, Post-Dispatch.

HOUSEKEEPER—Sit. wanted as housekeeper for respectable gentleman, by middle-aged lady of refinement. Ad. T 64, Post-Dispatch.

LADY—Young lady, age 20, plain writer, neat, refined and discreet, desires a position as office attendant or clerk; will work for $5 per week. Ad. R 56, Post-Dispatch.

LADY—Refined, neat young lady of 22, desires sit. in dental office. Ad. A 67, Post-Dispatch.

LAUNDRESS—Sit. wanted by good laundress, to take washing home or out by day; references. 2602 Lucas av.

LAUNDRESS—A first-class white laundress, good reference, good shirt ironer and curtain cleaner, wants first days of week. 2006 Clark av.

LAUNDRESS—Situation by 1st-class laundress, 1st 2 days in week, and to take home. 3913 Finney av.

SEAMSTRESS—Situation wanted by experienced seamstress with dressmaker; would prefer a place to exchange work partly for board. 1439 N. 16th st.

STENOGRAPHER—Position wanted by young lady as stenographer and general office work; best of reference. Ad. O 68, Post-Dispatch.

WOMAN—Poor woman would like some kind of easy work to do at her home; can do most anything. 1206 N. 14th st., downstairs.

HELP WANTED—FEMALE.
14 Words or Less, 10 Cents.
Business Announcements, 10 Cents Per Line.

CHAMBERMAID WANTED—A competent chambermaid. Hotel Berlin, Taylor and Berlin avs.

CHAMBERMAID WANTED—Experienced hotel chambermaid. Hotel Beers.

COOK WANTED—A good cook; white woman preferred; apply at once at 6025 Cabanne av.

COOK WANTED—A good girl to cook and assist in general housework; no washing. Apply 4936 Washington av.

COOK WANTED—Competent cook; white; no washing or ironing. 5635 Maple av.

COOK, ETC., WANTED—Cook and housegirl; No. 1 cook; good wages; housegirl to assist laundry work; bring references. Apply 4200 Washington av.

COOK WANTED—Good colored cook; must sleep at home. 3141 Washington av.

COOK WANTED—Good economical cook, with good references, for boarding house; at once. 3817 Delmar.

COOK WANTED—German cook, for restaurant; understanding the cooking of short orders. 6 N. 12th.

DISHWASHER WANTED—Experienced dishwasher, at 6703 Manchester av.; take Suburban Benton car.

GIRLS WANTED—10 girls. St. Louis Paper Box Co., 202 S. Commercial st.

GIRLS WANTED—Hand girls to sew on good pants; also some girls to learn. 2918 Lemp av.

GIRLS WANTED—Small girls for facing down work. At Holman Paper Box Co., 8th and Walnut sts.

GIRL WANTED—Smart dining room girl for restaurant. 3211 Olive st.

GIRLS WANTED—Moser Cigar and Paper Box Co., 208 Elm st.

GIRL WANTED—White girl to nurse afternoons. Call 3557 Olive st.

GIRL WANTED—A young German girl to cook. Apply at 3846 Lindell av.

GIRLS WANTED—Girls who know how to make envelopes. A. S. Keevil, 210 N. 4th st.

GIRLS WANTED—Experienced duck coat and overall makers, at Coronet Factory, 2002-2006 Morgan st.

GIRLS WANTED—Skirt and waist hands; constant employment. Cosedine Manufacturing Co., 2210-2212 Pine st.

GIRLS WANTED—Girls, experienced in sewing straw hats. St. Louis Straw Works, 902 N. 6th.

GIRL WANTED—White errand girl at millinery, 900 N. Grand av.

GIRLS WANTED—25 hand workers, 25 machine hands and 25 little girls for trimming. Call 814 St. Charles st.

GIRL WANTED—Experienced dining room girl, 1933 Franklin.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—A strong girl for general housework; no washing; good home and wages; Percival, North Market st. and Suburban Ry.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for light housework; no washing; first floor. 3626 Botanical av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—A good housegirl at once at 1608 Pine st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Reliable girl for housework with references. 2408 Bacon st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework; no washing or ironing. 4049 West Belle.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework. 3116 Ends av.

HOUSEKEEPER WANTED—3860 Olive st., upstairs. C. A. Frank.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework; no washing. 3109 S. Grand av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl to do housework; family of four; no children. 1928A Cora av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for housework and dining room work and assist with washing. 3447 Pine st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Intelligent, reliable German girl for general housework. Call Mrs. B., 2307 Cass av., 2d floor.

HOUSEWOMAN WANTED—Woman to do general housework; only two in family. 1508 Wagoner pl.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl to do housework and cooking. Apply at 3001 Rauschenbach av., west side of St. Louis pl.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl to do housework. Apply 1819 Bacon st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework. 4008 Cantleman av.

HOUSEKEEPER WANTED—Housekeeper to do light work for room rent. 1411 Cherry st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Reliable girl for general housework; German preferred. 3024 Chestnut.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework; no outside work. 5176 Vernon av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Neat, intelligent girl for general housework; good cook; no laundry. 3553½ Olive st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework; three in family; come ready to work. 2656 Geyer av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—A good girl for general housework; good wages. 5283 Page av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—First-class girl for general housework. 3547 Pine st.

LADY WANTED—Position to work for board and tuition can be filled at Forest Park University. Call at once.

LADIES WANTED—To learn hairdressing by mail or at college; 4 weeks' term completes; constant practice; expert instructions; positions guaranteed. Call or ad. Moler College, 1141 Market st.

MACHINE OPERATORS WANTED—Experienced and learners; also hand workers; young, steady, industrious girls can have constant employment. Cosedine Mfg. Co., 2210-2212 Pine st.

MACHINE HANDS WANTED—25 experienced machine hands to sew ladies' wrappers; steady work. Coleman & Loewenstein, 715 N. 11th st.

MILLINER WANTED—First-class trimmer; out of city; good pay. Call room 266 Lindell Hotel, today or Sunday.

NURSEGIRL WANTED—A German nursegirl. 2359 S. Compton av.

NURSE WANTED—Competent woman as nurse for infant and small children. Apply 401 N. Taylor av.

NURSEGIRL WANTED—A nursegirl for young children; at once. Percival, North Market st. and Suburban track.

NURSEGIRL WANTED—Between 14 and 15 years. 820 Lebeaume st.

ONLY $5 for 12 private lessons in shorthand and typewriting by best teacher in St. Louis. Ad. N 202, Post-Dispatch.

RUBICAM'S Shorthand College, Union Trust bldg.; exclusively for young women; individual instruction; positions secured for graduates.

SEAMSTRESS WANTED—Seamstress, to work on custom coats. Apply 1719 S. 14th st.

SHIRTMAKERS WANTED—25 shirtmakers; good wages. Apply Williamson Corset and Brace Co., 1512 Locust st.

SKIRTMAKER WANTED—Skirtmaker and girls to learn. Bry Bro. Cloak Co., 10th and Lucas av.

SKIRTMAKERS WANTED—25 skirtmakers; good wages. Apply Williamson Corset and Brace Co., 1512 Locust st.

SOLICITORS WANTED—Lady solicitors; good salary; work among business houses only; references required. Call 810 N. Ewing av., Sunday p. m. Mrs. C. Stewart.

STENOGRAPHERS WANTED—Elegant practice room and employment department; free, free, free. Century Bldg. The Oliver Typewriter Co.

WAISTMAKER WANTED—Experienced waistmaker; one who understands ladies' tailoring; only one thoroughly experienced. 1211 N. Spring av.

WOMEN WANTED—Woman in every county; big money; nothing to buy. Geo. W. Smith, Macon, Mo.

"REPAIRS FOR ANY OLD STOVE."
FORSHAW, 111 N. 12th st. Phone C 97.

LAUNDRY HELP WANTED.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

LAUNDRESS WANTED—Laundry girl, to work mangle. Apply Hotel Beers.

MARKER WANTED—One marker. Grand Laundry Co.

LOST AND FOUND.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

Lost.

DOG—Lost, small black dog; white breast; ring tail. Return to 1012 Pine st.; reward.

LOCKET—Lost, heart-shaped gold locket, with pearl in center and a four-leaf clover in glass case and gold rim; reward. Ad. X 71, Post-Dispatch.

WATCH—Lost, lady's Waltham gold watch; Saturday morning, about 8:30, between Finney and Krum avs., on Washington car, or 6th and Pine, on Cherokee division, or 6th st.; large reward. 114 N. 6th st.

Found.

FOUND—Where you can get a double sole, box calf shoe, $2.95. Harris, 520 Pine st.

DANCING.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

DANCING—At Uhrig's Cave, Wednesday evening, Sunday afternoon and evening; classes Tuesday and Friday evenings.

DANCING—St. Patrick's party at Prof. Schulte's Hall, Jefferson av. and Olive st., Sunday afternoon, March 18; prize for the lady appearing in the most exquisite costume appropriate of the day.

ROLLER SKATING at Natatorium Rink, 19th and Pine sts., every afternoon; Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings.

TYPEWRITERS.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

TYPEWRITERS—2d-hand typewriters; 1000 for sale at $3 up; a good machine rented 3 months for $5; good service guar.; all makes carried. The Typewriter Exchange, 208 N. 9th st.

AUCTION SALES.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

L. BLUMENKRANZ & CO., Auctioneers—Office and salesroom, 612 Franklin; real estate and all kinds of personal property sold on liberal terms; competent auctioneers furnished to any part of United States; correspondence strictly confidential; consignments solicited and outside sales promptly attended to.

ROOMS FOR RENT.
14 Words or Less, 10 Cents.

ARMSTRONG AV., 1117—Three large front rooms for gentlemen; furnace heat, hot bath; private family; very reasonable to good tenants.

BIDDLE ST., 1413—Neatly furnished front room for light housekeeping; cheap.

BROADWAY, 710 S.—Neatly furnished rooms; from $1.50 to $2.

BROADWAY, 513 S.—Unfurnished basement room and kitchen, to respectable people; $3 per month.

BROADWAY, 301 S.—Furnished front room, suitable for two or three gentlemen or light housekeeping; all conveniences.

BROADWAY, 513 S.—Nice clean furnished rooms, with good stoves; $1.25 and $1.50 per week.

CARR ST., 1906—Two rooms; water and large yard. Keeley & Co., 1113 Chestnut st.

CHESTNUT ST., 1411—Furnished rooms for light housekeeping; 50c per week up.

CLARK AV., 3118—Two nicely furnished front rooms for light housekeeping; $12.

EASTON AV., 3156—Unfurnished rooms; newly decorated; all conveniences.

EIGHTEENTH ST., 823 S.—Furnished rooms, $1.25, $1.50; gents or housekeeping.

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ELEVENTH ST., 1410 S.—Neatly furnished front room and kitchen; rent, $7.50.

FIFTEENTH ST., 811 N.—Two connecting rooms; first floor; suitable for a doctor or dressmaker; also other newly furnished rooms; $2 week up.

FOURTEENTH ST., 6 S.—Elegantly furnished rooms for light housekeeping and roomers; $1 week up.

FRANKLIN AV., 1736—Nicely furnished front room; third floor.

LUCAS AV., 2735—Second floor front and adjoining room; furnished; suitable for gents or light housekeeping; hot bath; private family.

OLIVE ST., 1519—Elegant newly furnished clean front rooms for gentlemen; first-class board if desired.

OLIVE ST., 3336—Large newly furnished front and single rooms; bath, furnace heat; private family.

OLIVE ST., 2100—Furnished front rooms; steam heat; hot baths; modern improvements; corner house.

OLIVE ST., 3224—Two rooms, in rear; $7.

OLIVE ST., 3125—Nicely furnished second-floor hall room; $1.25 per week; all conveniences.

OLIVE ST., 2624A—Large front room; elegantly furnished; no housekeeping.

PAPIN ST., 2418—Two rooms and summer kitchen; furnished complete for housekeeping; $2.50 a week.

PINE ST., 706½—Front room, second floor; for light housekeeping or gentlemen; other rooms.

PINE ST., 1203—Elegantly furnished rooms for light housekeeping and roomers; $1 week up.

ROOM—Nicely furnished front room; all conveniences; $6 per month; near Lafayette and Ohio. Address O 64, Post-Dispatch.

SARAH ST., 617 N.—Second-story front room; furnished or unfurnished.

SEVENTEENTH ST., 810 N.—Nicely furnished front room, for gents or housekeeping.

SIXTEENTH ST., 1439½ N.—2 connecting completely furnished housekeeping rooms, with cook stove, water, etc.; reasonable and respectable.

TENTH ST., 109 N.—Comfortable rooms with heat, hot baths; $1 per week; men only; home-made cooking; reasonable rates.

WASH ST., 1526—Two large, dry, furnished basement rooms; all conveniences; with grate and cook stove.

WASHINGTON AV., 1424—Furnished rooms, $1.25 and up; rooms for housekeeping; one large unfurnished room.

WASHINGTON AV., 1503—Newly furnished rooms for gentlemen only; from 75c to $2.50 per week; bath, fire, hot and cold water.

WASHINGTON AV., 2709—Nicely furnished rooms.

OYSTER omelette, 25c. Wm. G. Milford, 209 N. 6th st.

ROOMS WITH BOARD.
14 Words or Less, 10 Cents.

CHOUTEAU AV., 1326—Comfortable rooms with very best of home board; $3.50 to $4.50.

CHOUTEAU AV., 822—Nicely furnished rooms for light housekeeping; $1.50 to $2.50 week.

CLARK AV., 2715—Good rooms and excellent board for gentlemen; $3.50 and $4 per week; with fire.

COOK AV., 4236½—Room and board, for one or two ladies employed; references.

DELMAR BL., 3856—Bright, cheerful room with choice table, for 1 or 2 gentlemen.

DELMAR AV., 4243—Southern front and back; excellent board; home comfort; gentlemen or couple.

DELMAR AV., 4008—Cheerful room; southern exposure; five windows; two closets; excellent table; convenient to cars.

DELMAR AV., 4116—2 nicely furnished rooms with board in private family.

EAST WHITTIER ST., 1116 (between Cook and Finney avs.)—Elegant room and good board for two gentlemen; modern house; reasonable; also room for two business ladies.

FINNEY AV., 3646—Nicely furnished rooms, with board; terms reasonable.

HICKORY ST., 2914—Nicely furnished front room for two; single beds; strictly private family; all conveniences; near Lafayette Park; breakfast if desired; reasonable.

LOCUST ST., 2806—Nice furnished front and back room; with first-class board.

LOCUST ST., 1404—Pretty rooms and first-class table board at very low rates; call and see rooms and get prices.

LOCUST ST., 2930—Nicely furnished single and double rooms; good board and service; terms reasonable.

LUCAS AV., 2229—3d-floor front and back parlor; also excellent day board.

MISSISSIPPI AV., 1207—Near Lafayette Park; very desirable rooms; newly and nicely furnished; with or without board; reasonable.

MORGAN ST., 2825—Nicely furnished front rooms, with or without board; $4 per week; hot bath.

MORGAN ST., 2827—Nicely furnished front room, with board; $4 per week; furnace, hot bath.

OLIVE ST., 3962—Beautiful rooms, with board, at Olive Apartments; steam heat; second floor.

OLIVE ST., 2233—Newly furnished front parlor; also other rooms; with or without board.

PINE ST., 2918—3d-story front and other rooms; first-class board; terms reasonable; also table board.

ROOM—Unfurnished room, with steam heat, gas and hot bath; $10; also one furnished room, same house; board if desired. Ad. D 66, Post-Dispatch.

ST. JAMES HOTEL offers for the winter board and rooms, American or European plans, at very low rates; call and see rooms and get prices.

WASH ST., 1801—Two second-story connecting rooms; suitable for four gentlemen; with board or without.

WASHINGTON AV., 3145—Lovely southern exposure room; best board; furnace heat, gas, bath; gentlemen.

WASHINGTON AV., 3145—Lovely southern exposed rooms; good home cooking; all conveniences.

WEST BELLE PL., 4300—Two nice rooms, with board; all conveniences.

DWELLINGS FOR RENT.
14 Words or Less, 10 Cents.

ADAMS ST., 2731—N. e. cor. Leffingwell; a choice 6-room house; furnace, gas, modern plumbing, and bath room, hot and cold water, granitoid basement and laundry; beautiful shade trees, large yard; possession April 2; cheap rent to good tenant; now occupied; examine it. Apply W. C. Steigers, Post-Dispatch.

LINDELL AV., 3509—$25; 3527, $35; each 10 rooms. Scott & Farrar, 715 Chestnut st.

OLIVE ST., 3738—Modern, 10 rooms, $50. Scott & Farrar, 715 Chestnut st.

OLIVE ST., 4329—Well built, modern eight-room house; open for inspection.

PAPIN ST., 1506—10-room stone front house; large lot; rent cheap. Apply to 621 Chestnut st.

FLATS FOR RENT.
14 Words or Less, 10 Cents.

EVANS AV., 3634A—Elegant five-room flat; every convenience; near Rock Church.

FLATS—Nice five-room flats; hot and cold water, bath, etc.; also store in good business neighborhood. Call at 1406 N. Grand av.

GLASGOW AV., 2506—Three rooms; water; extra desirable; only $10. Blackwelder-Holbrook Realty Co., 107 N. 7th st.

MONTGOMERY apartments, Montgomery and Coleman; 4 lines cars; 3-room flats; bath, gas fixtures, screens, janitor; $15; one 4-room flat, bath, etc., $18. Rutledge & Kilpatrick, 717 Chestnut st.

MORGAN ST., 2734—An elegant six-room flat; water license paid, ashes hauled; rent $22.50 per month.

OLIVE ST., 2925—Five large rooms; bath, w. c.; $30. Scott Farrar, 715 Chestnut st.

SARAH ST., 2401½ AND 2401½A N.—Two 3-room flats, with fine laundry. Keys at 2405 N. Sarah.

FURNISHED HOUSES FOR RENT.
14 Words or Less, 10 Cents.

HOUSE—Handsomely furnished 10-room house; Washington av., near Garrison. Ad. A 27, Post-Dispatch.

FURNISHED FLATS FOR RENT.
14 Words or Less, 10 Cents.

FINNEY AV., 4234A—Lady employed will rent whole or part of furnished flat; convenient.

FOR COLORED PEOPLE.
14 Words or Less, 10 Cents.

TWELFTH ST., 1734 N. (between Howard and Brooklyn)—Flats for respectable colored people; two rooms, $1 per week; see janitor.

SUBURBAN PROPERTY FOR RENT.
14 Words or Less, 10 Cents.

DWELLING—For rent, in Ferguson, seven-room dwelling, with stable; best location. Case, Ferguson.

HOTELS.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

HOTEL PINE, 1909 Pine st.; first-class; every convenience.

TO LET FOR BUSINESS PURPOSES.
14 Words or Less, 10 Cents.

FOR MANUFACTURERS—Upper floors in fine corner building; any size to suit; with or without power; excellent light. Willbrandt, 1907 Olive st.

PINE ST., 1500—Large store; suit saloon and grocer. Keeley & Co., 1113 Chestnut st.

STORE—For rent, part of a store; centrally located; reasonable rent; especially adapted to hatter or merchant tailor. Ad. A 69, Post-Dispatch.

STORE—Half of store for retail business; in the best retail business district. Ad. N 63, Post-Dispatch.

BUSINESS CHANCES.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

AUTO-FROST VALVE
For sale; U. S. patents on Auto-Frost Valve; only practical means to prevent freezing of water pipes; a glass, water filled "cartridge" exposed to cold, bursts on freezing, releases an automatic valve and the pipes are drained; a child can reset it; cheap enough for universal use; basic patents cover system. D. W. Troy, Montgomery, Ala.

BUSINESS WANTED.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

GROCERY WANTED—To buy, grocery store and saloon or barrel house. Ad. P 66, Post-Dispatch.

BUSINESS FOR SALE.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

BAKERY—For sale, good paying bakery, in one of the best cities of Missouri, with three colleges and about 800 miners in town; can be bought for $1500, including large soda fountain, good horse and wagon and ice cream fixtures; established 19 years ago; good reasons for selling; rent $40 per month. Further particulars at Western Candy and Bakers' Supply Co.

BUSINESS—For sale, good paying cleaning and repairing business; must sell. Call 914½ Olive st., room 3, third floor.

BUTCHER OUTFIT—For sale, butcher outfit, fixtures and ice box. 4371 Hunt av.

DRUG STORE—For sale, only drug store in small railroad town in Central Missouri; worth $2400; yearly receipts, $4000; price, $2100 cash; reason, poor health. Ad. L 36, Post-Dispatch.

HOTEL—For sale, a small hotel, netting $200 per month; price $2000; lady or gent. Ad. R 67, Post-Dispatch.

ROLLER MILL—For sale, a half interest in a 1st-class roller mill, located about 110 miles east of Kansas City, in a fine wheat county, plenty of wheat at mill door; enjoys good trade and is making good profit; purchaser by buying interest will become manager at a good salary; don't write unless you have money and mean business, as this is a bonanza not often offered. Ad. F 70, Post-Dispatch.

STORE—For sale, cigar and tobacco store, news depot, laundry office; price $75 cash. 3833 Easton av.

TEA AND COFFEE STORE—For sale; owner wishes to leave city; must sell at once; a rare bargain; small capital required. Ad. H 70, Post-Dispatch.

HORSES AND VEHICLES.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

For Sale.

BUGGY—For sale, cheap, a fine 2d-hand storm buggy, a fine 2d-hand cut-under surrey. 2004 Morgan st.

HORSE—For sale, one large, gentle horse; lady can drive. Can be seen at Keyes & Watkins', 3900 Washington av.

HORSE—For sale, good young horse; cheap; at your own price. 2713 Clark av.

SADDLES, ETC.—For sale or rent, one or two gents' saddles and bridles. 2819 Stoddard st.

STORM BUGGIES, surreys, park wagons, grocer, baker, butcher, laundry, milk, peddler, furniture and light advertising wagons; also light truck spring stake wagon. John Tobiska, 1406 N. 7th st.

WAGONETTE—For sale, 10-passenger wagonette, cheap. 2004 Morgan st.

MISCELLANEOUS WANT.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

Old Gold Diamonds and Silver. Bring it to 109 N. 5th st. and get the highest cash price paid.

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

BIOGRAPH—For sale, biograph and calcium light outfit. 1551 S. Jefferson av.

CAPE—For sale, lady's sealskin military cape; full size; $35; handsome silk plush lap robe; $20. Ad. G 62, Post-Dispatch.

FOR SALE—Ten R. I. P. A. N. S. for 5 cents at druggists. One gives relief.

HOISTING CABLE—For sale, 200 feet of ⅝-inch Sweed's iron cable; greater part of it good as new; examine and make an offer. Purchasing Agent Post-Dispatch.

MOBILE select oysters, any style, per dozen, 25c. Wm. G. Milford, 209 N. 6th st.

OYSTER patties, 25c. Wm. G. Milford, 209 N. 6th st.

SAFE—For sale, safe, cheap. Apply at Anti-Monopoly Drug Co., 600 Market st.

SHOWCASES, ETC.—For sale, two showcases and a counter for candy and cigars. 3609 N. Grand.

SODA FOUNTAIN—For sale, an elegant soda fountain, with large mirror; canopy top; 1 soda font, 4 minerals, 14 syrups; also counter, with granite top and marble panels; bargain. Inquire at 900 N. 3d st.

MUSICAL.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

PIANO—$65 buys fine piano; cost $400; stool and cover. 1414 N. 16th st.

PIANOS tuned; best workmanship guaranteed, for $1.75, at Crawford's, 6th and Washington av.

PIANO—For sale, a nice upright piano. Call 5027 Washington av.

WHY DON'T YOU LOOSEN UP—Comic song; all laughter; latest New York success; send 25c. Hashagen Bros., Publishers, 3300 Easton av.

LOANS ON PERSONAL PROPERTY.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

MECHANICS' FINANCE CO. lends money on furniture, pianos, sewing machines, etc., without removal; monthly payments; discount given if paid before due; bus. confidential. 1015 Morgan.

MONEY TO LOAN—$20 or more loaned on furniture; no publicity; terms of payment to suit borrower. 918 Pine st., room 211.

MONEY furnished salaried people and retail merchants without security; easy payments. Tolman, room 801, 211 N. 7th st.

EASY PAYMENT LOANS.
On furniture and pianos; lowest possible rates; no publicity; discount if paid before due. Fidelity Brokerage Co., 914½ Olive st., room 1.

OPTICIANS.
14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

EACH EYE scientifically examined free of charge by S. S. Dreifus, Optician, 1900 Franklin av.

EDUCATIONAL.
14 Words or Less,

WOULD GO TO FRANCE

MME. SARAH FRERE STARTED FOR HER NATIVE LAND.

PENNILESS IN ST. LOUIS.

Her Neighbors at Rich Hill, Mo., Thought This City Would Furnish Her Transportation.

Mme. Sarah Frere and her family of five children are in pitiable circumstances at Union Station. They desire to return to France, their native land, but have no money with which to continue their journey.

Mrs. Frere came to the United States three years ago, soon after the death of her husband. She was penniless and had a large family to support. Somebody told her that the United States offered opportunities for her to make a living that were not to be had in France. So she sailed for New York, where she remained a year. She found life so hard that she started West in search of something better. She located at Rich Hill, Mo.

She soon found she had not bettered herself, but remained there in the hope times would improve for her. They grew worse, however, and a few days ago, she felt a longing to return to her native vine-clad hills. She told her neighbors she believed that if she could once more reach France she could get aid from old friends and would find plenty for herself and children to do. She says the neighbors urged her to make the attempt to return. When she told them she had no money, she claims they told her to sell her furniture and secure sufficient funds to reach St. Louis, where the public would provide her with transportation all the way to France.

She believed these statements and sold her furniture. With the little that she realized from it she purchased tickets to St. Louis. After this transaction, she had only a few coppers left. She left Rich Hill Friday night, arriving in St. Louis Saturday. She was placed in the custody of Matron Hunter. They had not had any food since leaving Rich Hill and the Matron secured a good breakfast for them.

Mme. Frere seemed to have been impressed through the statements of her Rich Hill neighbors with the idea that upon arriving at Union Station all she would have to do would be to wait for the public to provide her with the necessary funds to continue her travel to France. But she soon learned that no one was particularly interested in her and that getting money for her aid would be quite as difficult in St. Louis as in Rich Hill, notwithstanding the assurance of her friends.

Matron Hunter told her that if only a few dollars were needed to carry her to her destination it might be procured, but that raising enough money to pay her way to France was out of the question. Mme. Frere was made despondent by this information. She insisted that she must go to France and would not hear to an effort being made to send for her in St. Louis. She was tired of the United States, where she had never been able to do more than eke out a meager existence. She had made up her mind she could not live without returning to France, and declared she would not lose hope that some kind-hearted person would assist her on her way.

She finally concluded that she would make application to M. Seguinot, French Consul in this city, for aid. She said she thought he would give her all the assistance she needed.

Mme. Frere's children range in age from 4 to 13 years. They are all bright and pretty and, in spite of their penniless condition, are clean and neatly dressed. They do not realize that they have a gloomy prospect before them and spend their time playing about the station.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Joseph Betz ..... 1108 Arsenal st
Anna Praecater ..... 1816 S. 14th st
William F. Wiedebusch ..... 1425 St. Louis av
Josephine Schneider ..... 1520 Menard st
James E. Bell ..... 1811 Washington av
Mary King ..... 2456 Coleman st
Henry Zeller ..... 1626 N. 16th st
Ellen B. Bergdorf ..... 1119 High st
Ella R. Coleman ..... 1559 S. Broadway
Ada A. Ostrander ..... 1722 S. 7th st
Hyman Greenstone ..... 1020 N. 12th st
Annie Carnum ..... 617 O'Fallon st

Dinner Cards.

Artistically decorated, 40c to $7.50 per dozen at Mermod & Jaccard's, society stationers, Broadway and Locust.

BIRTHS RECORDED.

M. and M. Heben, 441 Antelope; boy.
F. and L. Ehrler, 7905 Oberbeck; girl.
H. and D. Broden, 2113 Bissell; girl.
C. and H. Stephenson, 3626 Rutger; boy.
W. and L. Roberts, 2931 S. Jefferson; boy.
E. and M. Higgins, 4325 Lexington; girl.
G. and B. Peters, 108 S. 4th; boy.
F. and N. Wentiers, 6302 Finney; boy.
D. and L. Speilman, 3348 Laclede; girl.
C. and E. Eckert, 5723 S. Road; boy.
L. and P. Ludlow, 3346 Lucky; boy.
J. and M. Bowles, 2329 Randolph; boy.
W. and M. Watson, 630 S. Broadway; girl.
J. and L. Meyers, 3125 Hickory; girl.

BURIAL PERMITS.

E. D. Woodracheck, 1 month, 1526 Prairie; congenital debility.
A. Heckel, 5 months, 711 Bittner; fever.
R. Creed, 44, City Hospital; pneumonia.
B. Maggessas, 52, 921 Locust; nephritis.
J. Miller, 56, City Hospital; neuralgia.
P. Kregborn, 43, 3322 Wisconsin; phthisis pulmonalis.
A. E. Farrell, 1 month, 1319 N. Vandeventer; congenital debility.
J. Minor, 81, 1308½ Sidney; senile debility.
F. Ritz, 2, 2528A S. Jodlier; pneumonia.
M. Burns, 3, 1712 N. 11th; pneumonia.
F. Nuernberg, 42, 4420 N. 14th; heart disease.
W. Vesse, 65, 4421 N. 20th; la grippe.
M. Burke, 58, 2465 Dickson; cancer.
E. B. Hill, 62, 3702 N. 9th; cerebral meningitis.
C. Shotwell, 62, 4341 Finney; phthisis pulmonalis.
E. Nolan, 67, 3315 Klein; bronchitis.
H. Hackenhorst, 5, 709 Barry.
C. Nelmer, 3508 Biair; crushed by car.
T. F. Beyert, 28, 4984 Natural Bridge; consumption.
K. Fox, 42, 1921½ Division; pneumonia.

COTTON.

LOCAL MARKET—Quiet and unchanged; sales, none.

Quotations:

Ordinary	8¼c
Good ordinary	8¾c
Low middling	9¼c
Middling	9 7-16c
Good middling	9 11-16c
Middling fair	10 1-16c

Tinges and stains ¼@⅝c below white.

WAREHOUSE STATEMENT TO-DAY.

	1899-1900.	1898-99.
Net receipts to-day	239	289
Net receipts since Sept. 1	145,047	144,038
Net shipments to-day	75	1,587
Net shipments since Sept. 1	137,235	77,022
Gross receipts to-day	1,587	1,423
Gross receipts since Sept. 1	741,926	858,353
Gross shipments to-day	1,960	1,209
Gross shipments since Sept. 1	731,114	820,458
Stock on hand	72,618	72,093

NEW YORK—Spot quiet and unchanged; middling, 9¼c; futures closed steady.

	Closing Yesterday.	Highest To-day.	Lowest To-day.	Closing To-day.
March	9.00	9.57	9.54	9.57
April	9.62	9.57	9.53	9.57
May	9.50	9.54	9.51	9.51
June	9.53	9.46	9.42	9.46
July	9.51	9.47	9.45	9.46
August	9.42	9.37	9.36	9.37
September	8.41	8.40	8.37	8.40
October	8.00	8.00	7.99	8.00

LIVERPOOL—Spot in limited demand and prices 1-32d lower; uplands, 5 9-16d; sales, 7000 bales; futures closed steady: March, 5 29-64d b; March and April, 5 27-64d b; April and May, 5 24-64d s; May and June, 5 20-64d s; June and July, 5 17-64d b; July and Aug., 5 15-64d b; Aug. and Sept., 5 4-64d b.

Spot Cotton Market.

Galveston—Firm at 9⅝c; receipts, 2195 bales.
New Orleans—Steady at 9 7-16c; receipts, 4791 bales.
Mobile—Nominally at 9¼c; receipts, 7 bales.
Savannah—Quiet at 9¼c; receipts, 3062 bales.
Charleston—Quiet at 9¾c; receipts, 213 bales.
Wilmington—Firm at 9¼c; receipts, 100 bales.
Norfolk—Dull at 9¾c; receipts, 757 bales.
New York—Quiet at 9¾c; receipts, 1090 bales.
Baltimore—Nominally at 9 15-16c; receipts, none.
Boston—Quiet and steady at 9¾c; receipts, 674 bales.
Philadelphia—Quiet at 10¼c; receipts, 124 bales.
Memphis—Firm at 9 7-16c; receipts, 276 bales.
Houston—Steady at 9 9-16c; receipts, 1701 bales.
Augusta—Quiet and steady at 9 11-16c; receipts, 381 bales.

A DAILY RECORD OF STOCKS AND MARKETS.

ON GOOD BANK REPORT

MARKET HARDENED AND CLOSED SHOWING STRENGTH.

LITTLE FEATURE OTHERWISE.

Close Was Mixed, but on the Whole Was Better Than Was Expected.

BANK STATEMENT.

Reserve, decrease	$ 2,989,950
Loans, decrease	11,311,400
Specie, decrease	5,453,100
Legals, decrease	1,372,600
Deposits, decrease	15,243,000
Circulation, decrease	62,500

To the surprise of all the wise ones, the bank statement that came out in New York Saturday was much better than expected. The consensus of opinion was that it was good, and on the strength of it the market closed strong at generally the best of the day. The decrease in deposits was generally attributed to bond buying, and was considered a good feature.

The stock market was dull most of the day and without feature. The opening was stronger, and many were up. A. S. W. and T. C. I. were 1 higher, and Sugar and Third Avenue ½, with others not so much. What changes were shown were generally betterments.

The market went up in spite of the dullness, and in the first hour Third Avenue gained 2⅜, T. C. I. 1¼, Metropolitan and Colorado Fuel 1 each, and Sugar ½. They weakened some on reports of a bad statement, and some recessions were shown. Third Avenue going nearly to opening, and T. C. I. to opening. Sugar went below. The dividend announcement on T. C. I. sent it up rapidly, and it gained 2¼. Laclede Gas went off 2 in a clip, and stayed there.

There was some revival on the bank statement, and the close was strong, though somewhat mixed. A. S. W., Colorado Fuel and T. C. I. were up. B. R. T. and Third Avenue were off, and Metropolitan, People's Gas and Sugar were at opening. Other changes were small.

These opinions came to St. Louis brokers.

To Wasserman.

Foreign houses told very good people that there will shortly be developments in Mexican Central and Mexican National that will advance those stocks several points. For very low priced speculators there are both excellent propositions. For a high priced stock there is nothing better than R. I. This road is earning about 9 per cent and on its merits ought to sell much nearer the other grangers. Southern preferred is another good one, though it is slow. Brooklyn Rapid Transit is in strong hands, and though not worth 50, will probably sell close to 75 before it declines very much. Steelers are a buy on recessions. I am a bull on the whole market, and think any of the stocks recommended can be bought on every little recession. R.—Private.

McIntyre & Wardwell: We think the market shows decided strength in the face of prevailing dullness. The railroad shares seem to be in request on all fractional declines. Web elieve that the realization that the money market must receive relief from the premature payments on government bonds by the Treasury Department will lead to higher prices.

To Orthwein.

Ennis & Stoppani: Money rate advanced to 8 per cent, and stocks advanced. The handwriting on the wall the wall reads: "Stocks are wanted." Immense sums of money will soon come into circulation, and in due time enter the stock market. The effect of such investments will be felt. We believe little conception of the effect of this influence is appreciated. It is now the time to buy and hold on for a very big advance.

A. M. Lamar: It looks as if the short interest in the grangers had been well cleaned up, and I advise the sale of these stocks on any further quick rallies. There is good selling of the long tractions, and I expect to see lower prices for B. R. T., Manhattan and Metropolitan. Sell them on rallies.

Logan & May & Co.: The steel industrials are apparently out of fashion, and the traction stocks, aside from Third Avenue, are weak on the Ford franchise assessment, which is expected.

To Little & Hays.

It is our opinion that the bank statement was largely discounted and that, while we are not likely to have any radical improvement to-day, stocks will look better from now on until after the April disbursements, when we expect a material advance.—Kelley, Miller & Co.

Market will continue narrow and will be largely by order of specialties. Professionals are bearish, predicting their position on the possibilities of the Ford bill. It will be well to hold Burlington, Pennsylvania, and to pick up the coalers on recessions. St. Paul earnings are excellent, the gain for the second week of March being $65,087 over corresponding period of last year. Those who are short of Western shares presumably have not the heart to increase their commitments; they are anxious for others to help them over the warm places in the speculation. Will be surprised if not fruitful enough four weeks hence, and probably by the 5th of next month it will be comparatively easy. In the interval the market will anticipate and though it does not liberally discount the better times dawning.—Joseph.

The room traders are in absolute control of market and are now talking reaction.—Morse.

To Leftwich.

If anybody wants to know what the country is doing, let him read the article in the Morning Sun entitled, "Half a Billion Dollars," and remember, while reading it, that the Sun has proved marvelously correct in its statements of facts and figures. The matter of importance that we look for in the market is a bear panic.—Halle & Steiglitz.

To J. W. Sanford.

Foreign houses have a few scattering buying orders on balance. Market will continue narrow and be largely one of specialties. Professionals are bearish on the traction shares. It will be well to hold Burlington, Pennsylvania and to pick up the coalers on dips.—Joseph.

To Glaser.

Buy American Steel and Wire, to recover; 1¾ per cent dividend on Monday. Hold Burlington. Sell tractions on firm spots.—Joseph.

Think this a good time to buy American Steel and Wire, selling ex-dividend Monday. Also think higher prices for B. & Q. On advances would sell traction stocks. Keene bearish on these.—Private.

Market likely to continue very professional. Third Avenue completely under manipulative control. If those responsible for the wide fluctuations in it should withdraw their tactics, think stock would fall. Am a big traders' drive in Sugar would buy it. —Ladenburg.

Bar Silver.

New York—Bar silver, 59c per ounce.
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Notes.

T. C. & I. declared 2 per cent dividend.

One million dollars' worth of the preferred stock of the American Linseed Oil Co. will be retired, the funds for the retirement being taken from a surplus of over $1,000,000.

Judging from the buying in B. R. T. during the past two weeks, think the stock should have a good rise soon as the market permits.—Ten Eyck.

New York subscriptions to war loan amount to $50,000,000.

Local paper estimates franchise tax may be $8,000,000 annually. Consolidated Gas, Metropolitan, Manhattan and B. R. T. will pay from $1,000,000 to $2,000,000.

Rumors of Metropolitan acquiring control of Third Avenue revived. Selling of former ascribed to possible new stock for this purpose.

Advance in Amsterdam Gas gives hope for gas war.

Listing of Steel and Wire in London not likely. Refunding rumors of Burlington denied.

Anaconda declares 1¾ per cent and 75c extra dividend.

Tennessee Coal & Iron Dividend.

The Tennessee Coal and Iron Co. directory decided at the annual meeting Saturday to pay 2 per cent dividend on common stock; also to pay 2¼ per cent accumulated dividends on as much of the preferred stock as may not be exchanged for new stock under plan adopted. Both dividends payable May 1.

The annual report shows profit and loss surplus for year of $1,885,706. Out of this was paid for interest $577,422, and in respect of guarantees further sum of $76,9 2. Balance carried forward, $1,307,962, which includes balance brought from previous years, $97,051.

Bank Statement Opinions.

Bank statement unexpectedly good, in spite of some profit taking on strength of it.—Kelley, Miller & Co.

Bank statement better than expected.—Signed Wortley, Davis, Adams, Hooper, Van Schaack and Morse.

Bank statement good.—Logan.

Bank statement much better than expected.—Halle & Steiglitz.

The statement is about what was expected and the bears are liable to cover their shorts.—Lapsley.

This is a better bank statement than was expected. Bank statements in the immediate future will cut little figure.—J. F. Harris.

The bank statement showed much smaller decreases in reserves than had been generally expected and its appearance added to the already better tone existing.—Clark, Dodge & Co.

The Franchise Tax.

New York—The World claims that assessment of New York properties under franchise tax law, based on Albany report, will be as follows: Metropolitan Traction, $1,875,000; Manhattan, $1,500,000; Third Avenue, $300,000; Brooklyn Rapid Transit, $1,200,000; Consolidated Gas, $2,424,657; New Amsterdam Gas, $558,000; Standard Gas, $125,000. Amount of tax is generally reached by assessing capital stock at 2½ per cent, although rule is not arbitrary.

We get following statement from sources which can be considered official. Amount of assessments under new franchise law on Metropolitan, Manhattan, Brooklyn Rapid Transit, Consolidated Gas and other companies is considered by officials of the companies as manifestly unfair, amounting practically to confiscation and enforcement of law will be contested with view of having it declared unconstitutional. If figures as published are correct, there can be only one outcome and that is prolonged litigation.—To Leftwich.

New York Stocks.

Reported daily by Whitaker & Hodgman, bond and stock brokers, St. Louis, Mo.

NEW YORK, March 17.

STOCKS.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Amer. Car & Fdy. com.	17	17	16¾	16¾
do pfd	65¼	65¼	65	65
Amer. Steel & Wire com.	56⅝	57	56⅜	57
do pfd	91¾			91⅝
Amer. Tin Plate com.	33⅜	33½	33⅜	33½
Amer. Tobacco com.	105¾	106	105¼	106
Anaconda Mining Co.	47¼	47½	46¾	47½
Atch. Top. & Santa Fe.	22¾	23	22¾	22⅞
do pfd	67⅞	68¼	67⅞	68¼
Baltimore & Ohio com.	63½	63⅝	63¼	63⅝
do 1st pfd	76¼	76½	76	76¼
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	67¼	67½	66¼	66⅝
Ches. & Ohio	28¾			28¾
Chi., B. & Quincy	126⅝	127½	126⅝	127½
C. G. West. com.	13⅜	13⅝	13⅜	13⅝
C. C. C. St. L.	59½	59⅝	59⅜	59⅝
Colo. South. 1st pfd.	44	45	44	45
Cons. Tob. com.	29½	29⅝	29⅛	29⅜
Del. Lack. & Western	177½			177½
Erie com.	13			13
Federal Steel com.	50¼	50½	50	50½
Illinois Central	113¾			113¾
Laclede Gas com.	77	77	75	75
Louisville & Nashville	81⅝	82	81⅝	82
Manhattan Elevated	161	162	160¾	161
Missouri Pacific	45¼	45¾	45¼	45¾
Man. El. Cons'd	92¾	93½	92¾	93½
Nat. Biscuit com.	91			91
North American	15¼	15⅜	15¼	15⅜
Northern Pacific com.	53¾			53¾
do pfd	74¾	74⅞	74¼	74¼
New York Central	134½	134⅝	134½	134⅝
Norfolk & West. com.	32⅜	32⅝	32¼	32¼
do preferred	75¾			75¾
Ontario & Western	23	23½	22⅞	23⅛
Pacific Mail	36⅞	37	36⅝	36⅞
Peo. G. L. & C. Co.	97¾	98¼	97¼	97¾
Phil. & Rdg. 1st pfd.	57	57	56¾	57
Pullman Car	184	184	183½	183½
Rock Island	108⅜	109¼	108⅜	108¾
Southern Pacific com.	29	29⅛	28¾	28¾
Southern common	13¾	13⅜	13¾	13⅜
do preferred	58⅞			58⅞
Steel Hoop common	55	55⅝	55	55⅛
St. Paul	123⅝	123¾	123¼	123¾
Sugar com.	102¼	102⅞	102¼	102⅝
Tenn. Coal & Iron	94½	96⅜	94¼	96
Union Pacific	40¾	40¾	40¼	40⅝
do pfd	74⅝	74⅝	74⅝	74⅝
U. S. Leather com	12⅛	12⅜	12¼	12¼
do pfd	84			84
U. S. Rubber com.	21¾	22	21⅝	22
do pfd	66¾			66¾
Southern Pacific	38¾	38¾	38	38¾
Third Avenue	68¾	71½	67¾	68¾

New York Stock Sales.

By Wire to Bennett Wasserman & Co.

NEW YORK, March 17.—Sales in New York stocks to-day were as follows:

Am. Tob.	3,100	Nor. & W. Ry.	300
Atch.	2,000	do pfd	200
do pfd	7,400	No. Am. Co.	200
Am. S. Hoop Co.	400	No. Pac. Ry.	100
Am. Steel & W.	3,800	do pfd	300
do pfd	200	N. Y., O. & W.	1,700
B. & O. R. R.	4,000	N. Y. Cent.	1,300
do pfd	2,800	Pacific Mail	300
C., C. C. & St. L.	500	Pennsylvania	500
C. R. I. & P.	1,400	People's Gas	5,300
Colo. Fuel & I.	300	Pullman P. C. Co.	100
C. O.	1,900	Phil. & Read.	100
C., R. I. & P.	2,100	Rio Grande	100
Cont. Tob.	300	Rep. S. & I.	700
Con. Gas	200	do pfd	200
D. & R. G.	100	So. Pac. Co.	2,000
Del. & Hudson	100	So. Ry.	3,000
D., L. & W.	100	St. Paul	9,700
Erie R. R.	100	Tenn. C. & I.	1,050
Fed. Steel	1,500	Union Pac. Ry.	3,800
Great Western	500	do pfd	400
L. & N.	700	U. S. Leather	300
Laclede Gas Co.	400	do pfd	400
Manhattan	1,400	U. S. Rubber	200
Mo. Pac.	1,300	West. Union	100
Met.	5,200	W. & L. E.	100

Total sales, 146,136 shares. All loans made today were at 5 per cent.

On the New York Curb.

By Wire to Bennett Wasserman & Co.

NEW YORK, March 16.—The closing prices on curb securities to-day were as follows:

	Bid.	Asked.
Amalgamated Copper	93¾	94¼
Am. Agricultural Chemical	25	28
American Bicycle	75	78
do pfd	40	44
do 5s	50	55
American Hide and Leather	13	14
do pfd	40	44
American Woolen Goods	21¾	22
do pfd	80	81
Bay State Gas	1⅝	1¾
British Columbia Copper	9¼	9⅝
Chicago & Alton subscriptions	108¾	109
Distilling Co. of America	6½	7
do pfd	25	30
Electric Boat	16	20
do pfd	35	45
Electric Vehicle	30	40
do pfd	80	90
Electric Pneumatic	⅝	1
Flemington Coal and Coke	19	22
General Carriage	8	10
Havana Commercial	17½	19
do pfd	50	60
International Steam Pump	18	19
do pfd	64¼	65½
National Gramophone	45	50
National Salt	48½	49½
do pfd	77½	78¼
New Amsterdam Gas	27	27½
do pfd	50	52
do 5s	97	97½
New England Trans. Co.	5	5¾
New York Elec. Vehicle Trans. Co.	24	26
Otis Elevator	86	88
do pfd	92	93½
Royal Baking Powder pfd	28	30
Rubber Goods Manufacturing Co.	10	20
do pfd	50	81
St. Louis subscriptions	80½	
Standard Oil	538	540
Tennessee Copper	¾	¼
Trust Co. of America	194	196
Telephone, Telegraph & Cable	4⅜	4⅝
Union Steel & Chain	27	
do pfd	70	
Cast Iron Pipe	6½	7½
do pfd	45	48

United States Bonds.

By Wire to Bennett Wasserman & Co.

NEW YORK, March 17.—United States bonds at the full call:

	Bid.	Asked.
2s registered	101½	
3s registered	111	112
3s coupon	111	112
Small bonds	111	112
4s registered	116	117
4s coupon	117	117½
4s new registered	135	136
4s new coupon	135	136
5s registered	113½	116¼
5s coupon	113½	116
District of Columbia	110	

Wall Street.

By the Associated Press.

NEW YORK, March 17.—The stock market opened dull and the majority of stocks showed small gains. Sugar manifested some special strength and Tennessee Coal rose 1¼. Third Avenue relapsed below last night's price on a small opening sale.

Some irregularity developed and Metropolitan declined 1⅜. An active demand for Third Avenue raised it to 71½ and improvements in other stocks ranged from 1 to 2½, notably Sugar, Continental Tobacco, Colorado Fuel, Pacific Mail, Metropolitan Street Railway and Rubber and Tennessee Coal. No important movement occurred in railroad stocks, which moved sluggishly, but towards better prices. At 11 o'clock the market eased off in spots in sympathy with the selling of the tractions.

The market continued dull at the lower level. A few usually inactive stocks moved widely, but the market was narrow and heavy until the appearance of the bank statement, when a rush was made to cover, causing a sharp rally. The railroads and iron and steel stocks rose to the best level of the day. Third Avenue, after rallying to 70¾, was raided down to 67⅜, checking the advancing tendency. The closing was dull and about steady, and showed net gains in most stocks.

New York Money and Exchange.

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, March 18.—Close: Money on call firm at 5 per cent; prime mercantile paper, 5@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.85⅝ for demand, and at $4.82 for 60 days; posted rates, $4.83½ and $4.87; commercial bills, $4.81¾@4.81⅝. Silver certificates, 60¾@61¼c. Bar silver, 60c. Mexican dollars, 47¾c.

State bonds easy; railroad bonds irregular; Government bonds steady; U. S. refunding 2s, when issued, 100¾; U. S. 2s, registered, 101¾; 3s, registered, 111¼; 3s, coupon, 111; New 4s, registered, 135; do coupon, 135; old 4s, registered, 116½; old 4s coupon, 116⅝; 5s, registered, 113½; 5s coupon, 113¾.

Chicago Local Stocks.

Reported daily by Bennett Wasserman & Co., Stock and Bond Brokers, 212 North Fourth street, St. Louis.

CHICAGO, March 17.

STOCKS.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Close Yesterday.
Linseed Oil	13¼	13¼	13¼	13¼	13
do pfd	57	57½	57	57¼	57
Nat. Biscuit	35¾	36	35¾	36	35¾
do pfd	90½	90¾	90¼	90⅝	90⅝
Dia. Match	125	125	124	125	124¾
Union Loop	96	97	96	96½	96

Bid and asked prices at the close—South Chicago Elevated, 98¼@99; Lake Street Elevated, 10 b; West Chicago, 110-110½; Metropolitan Elevated, 20-29¾; do preferred, 77@78½; Union Traction, 21¼ b; do preferred, 73-75.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

Prices of American Securities on the London Exchange.

Reported by Little & Hays.

London, 2:30 p. m.—Atch. 22⅝, adv. ⅛; C. P. 94⅞, Erie 13, adv. ⅛; Erie 1st pfd. 48, adv. ⅛; I. C. 113½, L. & N. 81¾, adv. ⅛; N. P. pfd. 74, decl. ⅛; N. Y. C. 134⅝, adv. ⅜; Rdg. 17⅛, Penna. 135, adv. ⅛; St. P. 123⅝, adv. ⅛; U. P. pfd. 74⅜, Consols 101⅛, unchanged.

London—American securities strong. Atchison and Louisville features. Prices ⅛@⅜ above New York parity.

London close: Atch., 23⅜, adv. ⅛; Atch. pfd. 68¼, adv. ⅜; L. & N. 81⅞, adv. ⅜; N. P. pfd. 74⅛, adv. ⅛; Penna. 134⅝, dec. ⅛; St. P. 123⅜, adv. ⅜; S. P. 38⅝, adv. ⅛; C. P. 95, I. C. 113⅜, adv. ⅛; N. Y. C. 134⅝, U. P. 49⅛, adv. ⅛; U. P. pfd. 74⅛, dec. ⅛.

London—Americans closed steady about parity, but with little business doing and scarcely any change of importance. Consols were ⅛ harder on expected collapse of Boer war. General market steady and featureless.

Rates of Foreign Exchange.

Little & Hays Investment Co., 213 North Fourth street, St. Louis, report the following demand rates of foreign exchange to-day:

London	483¼
Paris	5 17½
Vienna	20½
Rome	5 50
Antwerp	5 18¾
St. Petersburg	52
Amsterdam	40¼
Stockholm	27
Berlin	95¾

ST. LOUIS STOCK MARKET.

American-Nettie Still the Most Active Feature.

American-Nettie absorbed most of the attention of the St. Louis brokers on 'Change Saturday, and the trading was largely confined to that stock. It sold to the extent of 2300 shares at prices from 145 to 150, with the last sale at the former figure and the close, 147@150. This stock has been especially active for the last few days and trading in it has been lively.

An unexpected sale was made of 1000 San Sebastian at 7. It slipped in between the Nettie sales.

Outside of mining shares, there was a sale of 2 Meramec bonds at 114¾, and 10 Bonanza at 40. No offers. There was a stiff demand for Edison 5s, and 1 sold at 98 and another at 97¾, with that bid for more and 98 asked. The preferred was strong and in demand at 54½.

Considerable of a demand sprang up for Lincoln Trust, and it was bid up to 148¾. The lowest price was 147, for 50 sales. For Mercantile 210 was bid, the lowest offer being 244. Other trust and bank stocks were strong and active.

Brooms were 79-79½, and United Railway 4s, 91-91¾, while Transit was 26 bid; no offers.

Sales—American-Nettie, 800 at 1.45; 1000 at 1.47½; 300 at 1.50; 100 at 1.47½; 100 at 1.50; San Sebastian, 1000 at 7; Meramecs, 2 at 114¼; Edisons, 1 at 98; 1 at 97¾.

ST. LOUIS STOCKS AND BONDS.

Reported by Gaylord, Blessing & Co.

	Bid.	Asked.
American Exchange Bank	$198 00	
Continental National Bank	167 00	167 50
Merchants-Laclede National	150 00	
National Bank of Commerce	257 50	259 00
Third National Bank	146 50	
Lincoln Trust Co	148 25	149 50
St. Louis Trust Co	201 00	
Mississippi Valley Trust Co		301 00
Commercial Trust Co	109 50	110 50
Meramec Railway 6s	114 00	114 50
St. Louis & Suburban Ry. 5s	104 50	105 00
do stock		74 50
United Railway 4s	91 00	92 00
do pfd	82 00	90 00
do com	26 00	27 50
Mercantile Trust	239 50	
Century Bldg	92 00	
Columbia Lead	13 50	14 25
Laclede Gas pfd	98 00	100 00
Union Depot Railway, 25 year, do 10-20 year	124 50	125 25
American Central Ins. Co.	100 00	
Missouri-Edison Electric 5s	44 50	45 50
do stock	97 50	98 00
do common	54 50	
Granite-Bimetallic	19 00	21 00
Merchants' Bridge 6s	114 00	
Cotton Compress 6s	2 50	2 55
Brewery bonds	100 00	100 25
St. Joe Lead stock	14 00	15 00
San Sebastion	07	08
Small Hopes Mining	01	
Anaconda-Nettie Mining	1 47½	1 50
Brown Bros	79 00	79 75

Local Money Market.

A. G. Edwards & Sons Brokerage Co., exchange brokers, quote domestic exchange and United States bonds as follows:

	Bid.	Asked.
New York	25c premium	50c premium
Chicago	25c premium	50c premium
Louisville	Par	25c premium
Cincinnati	Par	25c premium
New Orleans	Par	25c premium

UNITED STATES BONDS.

Name.	Int.	Due.	Coupon.	Bid.	Asked.
U. S. 3s reg.	3 in coin	1908	Q from Aug.	111	112
U. S. 3s cp.	3 in coin	1918	Q from Aug.	111	112
U. S. 4s reg.	4 in coin	1907	Q from Mar.	116	117
U. S. 4s cp.	4 in coin	1907	Q from Mar.	117	117½
U. S. 5s reg.	5 in coin	1904	Q from Jan.	113½	116¾
U. S. 5s cp.	5 in coin	1904	Q from Jan.	113½	116
U. S. 4s reg.	4 in coin	1925	Q from Mar.	133	135
U. S. 4s cp.	4 in coin	1925	Q from Mar.	135	136
U. S. 2s reg.	2 in coin	1930	Q from May.	108	

Local Bank Clearings.

To-day's clearing house statement shows: Clearings to-day, $3,645,037; this week, $20,237,443; last week, $36,750,540; last year, $31,485,788. Balances to-day, $424,983; this week, $3,233,123; last week, $4,476,707; last year, $4,799,069.

THE MARKETS.

MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE, March 17.

Sentiment shoved prices up at the opening, sentiment later lowered them, and sentiment was responsible for nearly all the changes to-day, as at no time was there any really good trading.

Cables came higher, with an estimate of a much lower world's shipment, both bullish items, which the pit considered in its early business. The corresponding demand seen at the opening soon fell off and the range in futures was somewhat lowered.

Receipts at the grain centers of the Northwest and also the local postings continue small.

Broomhall cables: "Wheat opened firm, 5c to 9c higher on the advance in America, rather unfavorable reports regarding the American winter wheat crop and the forecast of small wheat shipments to Europe and the United Kingdom in the near future, while the advance in spot wheat was a strengthening feature. The tone of corn was steady at the opening, with quotations unchanged to 3d higher on very firm offers, and showed further strength later, with sympathy on account of better spot demand."

The Weather—Probably fair and warmer to-night and Sunday. The barometer is highest over the lower Mississippi Valley and Southeast and lowest over the extreme upper Mississippi Valley. Precipitation was light and occurred principally in the Lake region and Ohio Valley. The temperature has risen decidedly in the upper Mississippi and Missouri Valleys.

Stocks of Grain in St. Louis Elevators.

	To-day.	Yes'day.	Year ago
Wheat	735,680	765,648	907,544
Corn	1,077,515	1,116,734	1,188,938
Oats	175,453	170,557	178,174
Rye	8,903	8,905	722
Barley	9,945	9,945	14,333
No. 2 red wheat	435,707	457,520	120,240
No. 2 hard	54,351	54,351	165,995
No. 2 mixed corn	562,053	563,256	934,189
No. 2 white	355,339	354,923	75,723
No. 2 mixed oats	102,285	101,157	39,823
No. 2 white			17,526
No. 2 rye	4,484	4,484	36

Export Movements of Grain.

PLACE.	Wheat. Rec.	Wheat. Ship.	Corn. Rec.	Corn. Ship.
New York	115,400	23,987	118,950	46,703
Baltimore	905		96,325	85,089
Philadelphia	100	100	45,382	3,523
Boston

MONDAY.

IT all depends upon what you want in a soap. If you require simply a dirt remover, almost any soap will do. But if you care at all about the thing which is to be washed, you must think twice before you act. Any soap will clean linens and muslins, but Ivory Soap leaves them as white as snow. Any soap will clean sheets and table cloths, but Ivory Soap leaves no coarse, strong odor. Try it once!

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COULDN'T FIND THE FATHER.

But the Marriage License Clerk Was Very Obliging.

Miss Etta B. White and Charles C. Amer were married Friday evening at the home of the bride's mother, 4423 Easton avenue. The couple first applied for a marriage license to the County Clerk at Clayton, but were refused because Miss White's father did not accompany her mother to give permission for the wedding. Mr. and Mrs. White have been separated several years, and it was impossible to find him. They returned to St. Louis and explained the situation to the marriage license clerk who promptly issued the papers.

CITY NEWS.

The fame of Crawford's Pianos is rapidly spreading abroad in the land!! We find they are shiping Pianos East, West, North and South, and yesterday they shipped one to the Republic of Mexico (a "Crawford," $350.00). The gentleman who was the purchaser declared after purchasing that he had looked all around the city at Pianos and did not see anything to equal the "Crawford" for $400.00!!

A $2000 CHECK FOR THE BOERS.

It Will Be Sent to the Transvaal Government by St. Louisans.

The local organization of Boer sympathizers has decided to send a check for $2000 to South Africa, instead of sending an ambulance corps.

The money will be forwarded to the representatives of the Transvaal Government in New York.

The ambulance corps project was abandoned because of the recent changes in conditions of the opposing armies.

The money is intended for the assistance of the widows and orphans of deceased Boers.

Play Ball.

We have several new patterns in baseball mitts and gloves; call to see them. Rawlings Sporting Goods Co., 620 Locust st.

TELEGRAPH BUILDING AFIRE.

Envelope and Printing Companies Sustained Considerable Loss.

The upper portion of the former Western Union Telegraph Co. building at Third and Olive street was destroyed by fire Friday night and the building and stock damaged $25,000.

The fourth floor, which was burned away, was occupied by the American Envelope Co. Their loss was about $5000. The third floor is occupied by the S. F. Taylor Printing Co. The Commercial Printing Co. has the basement and the first and second floors. The printing company's loss is estimated at $10,000. The loss on the building is about $16,000.

The fire broke out about 9 o'clock and made rapid headway. It originated on the fourth floor. A second alarm, soon followed by a third alarm, was turned in, and the Fire Department succeeded in confining the fire to the top floor.

The high wind and low temperature made the work of the firemen quite difficult. It seemed certain the fire would communicate to other nearby buildings during its early stages. Water froze on the street paving and made the movements of the firemen difficult and dangerous.

Base Balls.

A boys' League ball for 25c.
Rawlings Sportings Goods Co., 620 Locust St.

WAS FOUND DEAD IN HIS BED.

Hugh McManus Died Without Medical Attendance.

Hugh McManus 57 years old, died at his home, 2129 Randolph street, some time during Friday night without medical attendance. McManus was employed by the Terminal Railway. He worked Friday as usual and went home a little after 6 o'clock. He complained to his son Martin and his daughter Nellie that he was not feeling well, but retired without thinking his condition serious. When the family arose Saturday morning McManus was dead. The body was cold, indicating that he had been dead several hours. The Coroner will investigate.

Orangeine

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Neuralgia—2 Powders 15 minutes apart.
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Catarrh—Powder every four hours.
Asthma—See directions. Simple, sure.
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For a Bracer—Stir one Powder in Carbonated Water.

Complete directions in every package.

Dr. Edward R. Kellogg, the successful Nose and Throat Specialist, Stewart Bldg., Chicago, writes: "No harm can result from its use. In my own case, severe supraorbital neuralgia was relieved by 'Orangeine' powders, which ordinarily required large doses of coal tar products. It also aborts cold or grip attack and will always allay the distressing symptoms."

KERN BOND APPROVED

LIGHTING CONTRACT RATIFIED BY THE CITY COUNCIL.

MR. CARROLL ASTONISHED.

He Had Prepared a Coup in Opposition, but President Meier Voted Once Again Him.

Mr. Carroll sprung a surprise in the Council Friday afternoon and was in turn surprised himself. These surprises came in the approval of the bond and contract of the Kern Incandescent Gaslight Co.

Mr. Carroll led the opposition to approval. He came into the Council chamber certain he would win. In the inside pocket of his long frock coat reposed a document, the reading of which was to make victory doubly sure. He expected it to clinch the opposition so effectually as to make approval of the bond impossible.

Mr. Carroll had prepared his coup carefully and secretly. It was to fall like a bomb into the session.

When the bond came up in the regular order of business Mr. Carroll arose and proceeded the document. He spoke of an effort to force the Council to approve the bond. He had been traduced and misrepresented by the public press on account of his position on this question. But he had investigated and found evidence which to his mind absolutely settled it. He had in his hand the written word of the "Secretary of State of the great State of Missouri" that the Kern Company was duly authorized to do business in the State. He read the Secretary of State's letter to the effect that no corporation organized under the laws of another State could do business in Missouri without a license, and that to obtain this license it must show that its capitalization is not more than $10,000,000. The Kern Company was organized in New Jersey, and its capital was $12,000,000. Clearly, therefore, the Kern Company could not do business in Missouri. In passing it may be said that the law invoked by Mr. Carroll is one of the chain of anti-trust laws passed by the last Legislature, and devised by Attorney-General Crow.

Mr. Carroll read the letter and law with evident pleasure. He waived all other objections; this was sufficient. His pride in his coup was palpable. He took his seat smiling triumphantly.

Mr. Hodges moved to lay the matter over, as the objection raised was a new point.

Mr. Carroll was mildly indignant. Did Mr. Hodges mean to intimate that he had misquoted the law? If so he would send for the statutes and prove he was correct. Now was the time to act. Why should there be delay? The argument he had just made was conclusive. Any sensible man could see its strength.

The motion to lay over was defeated. Mr. Carroll was delighted. He pressed for a vote on his motion to reject the bond. His motion was put and the roll call ordered. The waning of his smile of triumph as the roll call proceeded was pausing. The vote was 7 to 6 in favor of approval. Those voting aye are: Hodges, Hoffmann, Horton, Meysenburg, Richards, Schnell and President Meier.

Those voting no are: Carroll, Kraiz, Thuner, Gaus, Gast and Wiggins.

When President Meier announced his vote Delegate Schumacher, who was in the gallery, called out: "Meier, why don't you be a good fellow and vote no?"

The vote was a complete surprise to the opposition. They had confidently expected victory.

The Council appointed Thomas P. Ritchie a member of the Mullanphy Board. Chairman Horton of the Committee on Public Improvements announced a public hearing on the filtration question Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

If Your Dog Is Sick

Apply to Rawlings Sporting Goods Co., 620 Locust street, for proper remedies.

SCULPTOR LEONI AGAIN HERE.

He Was a Famous Artist at the Chicago World's Fair.

John B. Leoni is held a prisoner in the observation ward at the City Hospital. He was arrested Friday night while, according to the police, he was in the act of breaking the plate glass show window in front of ex-School Director Herman Grawe's jewelry store at 411 Washington avenue.

Leoni is a sculptor. He is 42 years of age, and came to this country from Corsica, his birthplace, to assist in designing and constructing the "Court of Honor" at the World's Fair in Chicago.

Most of his time in recent years has been spent in asylums, jails and sanitariums. When not incarcerated he has made a comfortable livelihood modeling fancy figures in soap. He says his presence here is due to his escape from the asylum at Jacksonville, Ill., where he wishes the local authorities would return him. Leoni, whom the police charge with also traveling under the alias of John B. Zan, says he was a patient in the old City Hospital here, when it was blown down in the tornado of May 27, 1896. He says he was sent to the asylum at Kankakee, Ill., a few years ago from Chicago, and that his sojourn in Jacksonville was due to his arrest in East St. Louis a few months ago. Leoni says he could make a living easily enough if he could get regular work to do, but that people are afraid to employ him after reading in the papers that his mental faculties were impaired. His ailment was caused by a fall from a scaffold while at work at the World's Fair.

AMONG THE CHURCHES

THE GOING AWAY OF DR. WILLIAM WIRT KING.

NEWS OF RELIGIOUS WORLD.

Services of Lenten Character in Downtown Places—Lectures and Sermons.

An important change is to be made in the pastorship of the Lindell Avenue M. E. Church. The Rev. Dr. William Wirt King, present pastor of the church, will go to Wilmington, Del. The appointment in his place of the Rev. Dr. Daniel Dorchester of Pittsburg, Pa., has been announced. Dr. King will leave for his new home next Tuesday week. He was allowed to remain here for five years, an unusually long period, and during that time he has built up one of the strongest Methodist Episcopal organizations in the city.

The next of the Lenten readings from the religious poetry of Robert Browning, by the Rev. Dr. Cornelius H. Patton of the First Congregational Church, will be given next Friday morning His subject will be, "The Bishop Orders His Tomb," and "An Epistle Containing the Strange Medical Experience of Karshish."

The Rev. Charles Stelzle of the Menard Street Mission will deliver another of his free stereopticon lectures on Friday evening, March 23, on "Christie's Old Organ."

The Rev. J. K. Brennan will preside at the noonday services at the Holland building on March 19, 20 and 21, and the Rev. K. E. Craig on March 22, 23 and 24. These services will be held each day at noon during Lent, under the auspices of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew.

On Tuesday evening, March 20, the weekly popular talk at the Central branch of the Young Men's Christian Association will be given by Mr. George D. Markham on "Scraps of Time; What Shall I Do With Them?"

The Rev. H. M. Calmer will deliver another of his course of lectures at St. Francis Xavier's Church next Sunday evening. His subject will be "Tradition and the Eucharist."

The Rev. Edmund Duckworth's next address in his Sunday afternoon Lenten course will be on Sunday afternoon, March 18, at the Young Men's Christian Association Hall on "Lest Thou Forget."

Revival meetings have been held every evening during the week at the Water Tower Baptist Church. They are conducted by the Rev. J. F. Berger, the pastor.

On Sunday evening, March 18, the next of the Sunday night course of sermons, delivered at St. Peter's Episcopal Church during Lent, will be by the Rev. A. E. Lee Teig of Holy Communion Episcopal Church, and on March 26 the Choir Room Talk in the afternoon at the church will be "St. Francis of Assisi."

The Rev. John W. Day, pastor of the Unitarian Church of the Messiah, will give at the church next Sunday evening one of his Sunday evening talks at the Unitarian Church on the Unitarian point of view. The subject will be "What Think Ye of Christ?"

On Friday evening, March 23, at the hall of the Y. M. C. A., another of the members' course of entertainments will be given in the form of a concert by the Redpath Grand Concert Co. Both vocal and instrumental music will be rendered.

The study of Browning will be taken up at the Unitarian Church of the Unity by the Unity Club next Sunday evening. The subjects to be discussed will be "Pheidippides," "The Guardian Angel," "Filippo Baldinucci" and "A Forgiveness."

On next Tuesday evening, March 20, at the meeting of the Men's League of the First Presbyterian Church there will be a discussion of the question, "Has the Disintegration of the British Empire Begun?" Mr. F. H. Bacon will lead.

The Delmar Avenue Baptist Church Men's Club will hold its monthly meeting in the church next Monday evening. Prof. Knox will conduct the meeting and lead in the discussion of the subject, "Social and Political Reform."

The last meeting for the season of the Social Science Club will be held in the parlors of St. George's Episcopal Church next Tuesday evening. The subject will be "Liberation." Mrs. James Richardson, Mrs. Charles L. Harris and Mrs. Robert Savage Chase will take leading parts.

Archbishop John Joseph Keane, from Washington, D. C., has been the guest of Archbishop Kain during the week. He will preach at the new Cathedral Chapel next Sunday morning on "Higher Education." On Easter Archbishop Kain will preach in the same church. The Rev. Father O'Reilly, pastor of the chapel, is delivering a course of Lenten sermons on Wednesday and Friday evenings on "Persons of the Passion."

A retreat has been conducted, which ended Friday last, for the young women of the Visitation Convent.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Second Baptist Church held its semi-monthly meeting last Tuesday in the parlors of the church.

On April 5 at the Pilgrim Congregational Church the annual meeting of the St. Louis Association will be held, when reports will be made of the year's work of the 19 Congregational Churches in the city and its vicinity. The State Association will be held in the first part of April in Carthage, Mo.

Mrs. Meyers, the missionary worker, is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Burgess at the Pilgrim Congregational Church. She has been connected with the American Board of Missions for over six years, and has visited China, India and Japan in the interest of missions. She spoke to the children of the First Congregational Church on Tuesday afternoon, and at Pilgrim Chapel on Wednesday afternoon.

Preparations are making for the services to be held in the Unitarian Church of the Messiah on Good Friday and Easter Sunday. The choir is rehearsing Gounod's "Redemption," part of which will be rendered on Good Friday, and the continuation on Easter.

The St. James Memorial Episcopal Church will be dedicated on Easter morning.

The First Christian Church is trying to organize a male choir of 50 voices and many have joined already. A social club, started by Mr. Bert Godloe, has its meetings, at which there are readings, music, games, etc., for the entertainment of the members.

Mrs. Critchfield of Memphis and Mrs. Goehring gave a reception to the congregation of the church at 3304 Morgan street on Thursday afternoon. On Friday evening a social was given at the church to which the different pastors of the Christian churches were invited.

The Tyler Place Presbyterian Church has been taken under the protection of the First Presbyterian Church and will become a branch of the latter church. There will be a joint trusteeship and eldership. It is planned to erect a new church to cost not less than $12,000. The pastor, Dr. J. B. Brandt, is in California on account of his health and the Rev. Dr. R. Leland is taking his place.

A Pentecostal Training School will be opened next Thursday under the auspices of the Hepahah Home, 2705 Locust avenue. It will be a training school for those who wish to follow rescue work. Mrs. M. E. Otto is superintendent.

The Mission Free School on Ninth and Wash streets, under the control of the Church of the Messiah, has moved into larger quarters on Twenty-eighth and Chestnut streets. It is planned that in the near future the Mission shall build a Home of its own in the West End. There are now 40 children cared for by the superintendent, Mrs. Winter, and her assistants.

The people of South St. Louis have already begun preparations for the annual convention of the Catholic Union of Missouri, to be held in St. Bonifacius Church on May 14-15. The fortieth anniversary of the Benevolent Society of the church will be celebrated at this time. The convention will be opened with a parade in which all the societies and the members of the schools will participate.

Last Sunday was made an occasion at the Rock Hill Presbyterian Church, it being its 55th anniversary. It is the oldest Presbyterian Church in the suburbs of St. Louis. At the celebration its pastor, the Rev. William Bryson Smith, was assisted by the Revs. J. R. Rogers and J. E. Wirth, former pastors of the church.

The Epworth League of the Marvin M. E. Church has opened a reading room and annex to the City Public Library and will continue it until September. It will be open to the public every evening.

The First M. E. Church is carrying on a successful revival under the Rev. J. H. Culpepper and his helpers. There have been already nearly 100 conversions. Three services are held every day, morning, afternoon and evening.

The Rev. C. E. Pattillo, pastor of the Lafayette Park M. E. Church, has about completed the plans for the erection of a large auditorium during the spring and summer.

An interesting entertainment was given last Monday evening at the Grand Avenue Presbyterian Church by the scholars of the Chinese mission, and there were 30 present. It consisted of recitations, readings from the Bible and music, some of which was rendered on Chinese instruments. The chapel was decorated with lanterns, ribbons and evergreens.

Rev. L. B. Haines and wife will conduct Gospel services Sunday morning at Jefferson Barracks.

For the past month members of the Young Men's Christian Association have been conducting the Sunday night services at Niedringhaus Mission. Mr. George T. Coxhead will conduct the meeting this Sunday night. Special music has been prepared for the occasion.

Several missionaries are making a canvass of families in the lower part of the city in behalf of the new Sunday-school which will open at No. 4 North Levee on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock under the supervision of the Levee Mission, which has carried on a religious and charity work among men since the first of the year. The mission paper is located at No. 9 North Levee, and is under the supervision of the Rev. A. Lichtenstern and wife, assisted by other workers. A new building has been secured a few doors south of the mission and has been fitted up for the Sunday school. Scholars attending the school regularly will be furnished with such articles of clothing as may be needed, and the plan of work will be made as practical as possible in caring for both spiritual and physical needs of the children, and to the families they represent. The work will be supported by voluntary contributions from any persons who may be interested in the work. The officers of the school are Chandler A. Fore, superintendent; Ned Harford, assistant superintendent; R. L. Deaver, secretary; Miss Eunice Seamans, primary teacher. Special services are being arranged for the opening on next Sunday afternoon, and Mr. Walter Birge, the cornetist, will assist. Picture cards will be given to each scholar that attends.

The Juniors of the Grand Avenue Baptist Church and Y. P. S. C. E. will give their annual entertainment Friday evening, March 23, in the church hall. A programme has been arranged including the play, "Parson Poor's Donation Party." The cast includes Miss Lina Lord and Joe T. McNally. Grace Lewis will assume the role of Mrs. Deacon Plunkett, wife of J. T. McNally. Refreshments will be served.

A missionary conference of Christian Endeavor Workers will be held at the Central Y. M. C. A. Monday evening at 8 o'clock. Addresses by the Rev. W. B. Palmore and others, after which the meeting will be divided into denominational conferences. Important theme: "Forward Movement in Missions."

The Newsboys' Club of Christ Church Cathedral, 1210 Locust street, is intended for downtown boys. There are no dues or other charges. The gymnasium in the Schuyler Memorial House, 1210 Locust street, is open to the boys every Friday night, where they are given a bath, a free reading room and gymnasic instructions. Entertainments are held from time to time for the pleasure of the boys. This work has been going on for about three years, and many boys have been helped by it. The object of the club is to bring the boys in off of the street and teach them, if possible, something about a better life both here and hereafter.

Services are held every evening at "The Temple," Second Baptist Church. Professions have been made at every service. Preaching is done by the Rev. L. C. Hall and Mrs. Mary McGee Hall. The singing, led by James A. Carroll, is an interesting feature of these services.

The Central W. C. T. U. will hold a rousing meeting Sunday afternoon at the First M. E. Church South, Glasgow avenue, near Dickson, at 3 o'clock. Rev. Drs. Early and Culpepper will deliver short addresses and Dr. Culpepper's son will sing.

At the First Congregational Church Sunday evening Prof. W. Douglas McKenzie of Chicago will occupy the pulpit. He is pastor of the New England Congregational Church, and was born and brought up in the Orange Free State, South Africa, where his father was a missionary. Prof. McKenzie comes here to speak at the British mass meeting at the Odeon Monday evening, and the First Congregational Church has secured his services for Sunday evening. In addition a musical service under Prof. Kroeger will include violin solos by Sig. G. Parisi and duet by Mrs. Ewell E. Buckner and Mr. E. E. Burdick.

On Friday evening, March 23, a reception will be given by the members of the North Presbyterian Church to the members who united with the church at the last communion.

The Epworth League of Tyler Place M. E. Church, South, corner McRee and Tower Grove avenues, will give a free literary and musicale next Monday night.

There will be an anti-wineroom meeting in the Compton Hill Congregational Church, Compton and Lafayette avenues, Sunday evening. E. A. P. Haynes, chairman of the executive committee of the crusade, will speak on the work done and in prospect, and the pastor will speak on the relation of certain theaters to the wineroom.

A ladies' interdenominational class for Bible study will meet at the Second Presbyterian Church, Westminster and Taylor avenues, the first and third Mondays of every month, beginning Monday, March 19, at 3:30 p. m. The Moody Bible course of systematic study will be adopted. The class will be under the leadership of a trained worker. The ladies of all the churches in the western portion of the city are invited.

There will be a spiritualists' meeting at Hilbig's Hall, corner Ninth and Arsenal streets, at 3 p. m.

A service for deaf mutes will be conducted in the sign language Sunday afternoon, beginning at 3 p. m., at the old Presbyterian Church, corner Seventeenth and Locust streets.

The many friends and admirers of Dr. P. S. Henson, one of the most noted pulpit orators of Chicago, will be glad to know that he will lecture in this city March 27, at the Third Baptist Church. His subject will be "Grumblers," and that class are specially invited, but all are promised a rare treat.

Rev. Dr. R. D. Smart, the pastor, will preach in Cook Avenue M. E. Church, South, at 11 o'clock Sunday morning, and in the evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. Z. M. Williams, president of Central College for Young Ladies at Lexington, Mo., will preach.

The Epworth Chapel, 3127 Newstead avenue, lately organized as a Sunday-school, has now an enrollment of over 200, and an Epworth League will be organized next Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. Dr. J. D. Vincil will preach at the same place at 8 o'clock.

Special gospel services are conducted every evening at the St. Louis City Mission, 1502 South Broadway. Services will be conducted on Sunday as follows: Sunday-school at 3 p. m.; regular evangelistic services at 8 p. m.; Mrs. M. F. Murphy will speak, subject, "Responsibility;" music by the Mission Orchestra.

The revival at The Temple (Second Baptist Church), conducted by Rev. L. C. Hall and Mrs. Mary McGee Hall, is meeting with success. Already numbers have made profession of conversion. During the coming week the services will be held at 10 a. m. and at 7:45 p. m. The singing, led by Mr. Carroll, is an interesting feature of the meeting.

PULPIT TOPICS SUNDAY.

Baptist.

SECOND—Rev. W. W. Boyd, pastor. Morning, "Love Stronger Than Death;" illustrative musical service.

DELMAR AVENUE.—Rev. John T. M. Johnston, pastor. Morning, "The Necessity and Conditions of a Revival;" evening, mass meeting, addressed by Dr. H. L. Morehouse of Philadelphia and Dr. W. W. Boyd.

TAYLOR AVENUE.—Rev. S. E. Ewing, pastor. Morning sermon at 11; evening, "A Gracious Invitation;" Sunday-school at 9:30; Young People's meeting at 7.

LAFAYETTE PARK.—Rev. T. C. Carleton, pastor. Morning, "Joseph's Wrongs Wrighted;" evening, "The Savior Saving."

THIRD.—Preaching at 11 a. m. by Dr. H. L. Morehouse of New York; at 8 by the pastor, Rev. R. P. Johnston; Sunday-school, 9:30 a. m.; Young People's meeting 7 p. m.

Christian.

WEST END.—O. A. Bartholomew, pastor. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

CENTRAL.—Rev. Baxter Waters, pastor. Services at 10:45 a. m. and 8 p. m.; special music by the choir; Christian Endeavor at 6:45 p. m.

FIRST.—Rev. F. O. Fannon, pastor. Morning, "The Social Side of the Church; Is It Social?" Evening, the pastor will deliver an address before the C. W. B. M. of this congregation.

FIFTH.—Rev. W. F. Hamann, pastor. Morning, "The Conflict Between the Flesh and the Spirit;" evening, "Danger of Neglect."

BEULAH.—Rev. W. A. Moore, pastor. Gospel meeting at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; evening subject, "The Model Husband."

COMPTON HEIGHTS.—Rev. S. B. Moore, pastor. Usual services at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

Congregational.

PILGRIM.—Rev. Dr. M. Burnham, pastor. Morning, "Christ the Originator and Perfector of the Faith;" evening, "Faith and Love," the last in the series of lectures on the Lord's prayer, "The Kingdom, Power and Glory of God."

COMPTON HILL.—Rev. W. W. Newell, pastor. Morning, "Is It Rational—Is It Effective?" evening, S. E. A. P. Haynes, chairman of the Executive Committee of the anti-wine room crusade, will speak on the work done and in prospect.

CENTRAL.—Rev. Howard MacAfeal, pastor. Morning, "The Palm Tree Christian;" evening, "Exhausted Patience."

MAPLEWOOD.—Rev. Theodore T. Holway, pastor. Morning, "Your Pastor, My People;" evening, "Faith and Unbelief." Special music has been prepared for the occasion.

FIRST.—Prof. W. Douglas Mackenzie of Chicago, morning and evening; morning, "Is Christianity Permanent?" evening, "The Formation of Habit."

FOUNTAIN PARK.—Rev. Jeremiah S. Cromer, pastor. Morning, "The Way to See Things Aright;" evening, "Easter Discovery."

UNION.—Rev. S. T. McKinney, pastor. Morning, 10:45, children's talk, "David and Saul;" adult sermon, "The Secret of Peace;" evening, song and gospel service.

OLIVE BRANCH.—Rev. William Johnson, pastor. Morning, "What Is That in Your Hand?" evening, "Man With and Without God."

HYDE PARK.—Rev. Dr. Jones, pastor. Morning, at 10:45, "The Light in Darkness;" evening, 7:30, "Penitence and Pardon."

Episcopal.

ST. PETER'S.—Rev. William Short, rector. Holy Communion, 8 a. m.; Sunday-school, 9:30 a. m.; morning prayer and sermon by the rector, 11 o'clock; night sermon by Rev. R. E. Lee Craig; music under charge of Charles Galloway, organist.

TRINITY.—Rev. Arthur Gardiner, rector. Holy Communion, 7:30 a. m.; Holy Communion and sermon, 11 a. m.; confirmation and sermon by Bishop Tuttle, 8 p. m.

ST. GEORGE'S.—Rev. Robert A. Holland, rector. Subject of morning sermon, "A Girl Saint."

ST. PHILIP'S.—Rev. William Elmer, rector. Holy Communion, 7:30 a. m.; morning prayer and sermon at 11. "The Slave;" evening lecture, "The Natural and the Supernatural;" Sunday-school, 9:30.

ST. MARY'S.—(East St. Louis.)—Rev. John Chandler White, rector. Morning prayer and sermon by the rector; Sunday-school at 9:30; services in Knights of Honor Hall, Lovington Building, on Broadway.

HOLY COMMUNION.—Rev. Robert E. Lee Craig, rector. Sunday-school, 9:45 a. m.; morning, 11 a. m. Rev. Benjamin Jenkins, rector of the Holy Communion, will preach.

ST. JAMES'.—Rev. Dr. M. Rhodes, pastor. Morning, "The Young and the Kingdom of God;" evening, "Partial Vision."

MOUNT CALVARY.—Rev. E. T. Coyner, pastor. Morning, "Christ's Service to Devil Dogs;" afternoon, German services; evening, "Jesus' Passion Prayer."

MAPLE AVENUE.—Rev. John C. Horning, pastor. Morning, "In the Light;" evening, "Two Souls."

Methodist.

CENTENARY.—Rev. Dr. J. H. Young, pastor. Rev. Dr. L. M. Williams of Presbyterian Female College will preach at morning service; pastor at night; subject, "The Day of Judgment."

MAPLE AVENUE.—Rev. Albert M. Billingsley, pastor. Morning, "Sons of God;" evening, "What It Cost Jesus to Save Men."

UNION.—Rev. Dr. Lawrence Lawcock, pastor. Morning, "Christ the Leader of Humanity;" evening, "Typical Conversions."

WAGONER PLACE.—Rev. T. E. Sharp, pastor. Morning and evening services as usual.

TUXEDO.—Preaching at 4 p. m. by Rev. H. L. Davenport.

LINDELL AVENUE.—Rev. Dr. William Wist King, pastor. Morning subject, "Saul of Tarsus;" evening, Rev. Dr. S. B. Warner will preach.

Presbyterian.

FIRST.—Rev. W. J. McKittrick, pastor. Morning, "Christ's Weights and Measurements;" evening, "The Way of the Transgressor."

SECOND.—Rev. S. J. Niccolls, D. D. LL. D., pastor. Morning services, 11 a. m.; evening services, 8 p. m.; subject, "Noah's Faith."

GRACE.—George H. Duty, pastor. Morning, "The Banquet of Love;" evening, "Aaron and Moses Compared."

LEE AVENUE.—Rev. Henry Gardner, pastor. Morning, "Illustrious Types of Faith;" evening, "True and False Criticism of the Church."

NORTH.—Rev. J. G. Klene, pastor. Morning, "God's Unsparing Love;" evening, "A Great Man's Appeal to His Record."

CURBY MEMORIAL.—Rev. W. A. McMinn, pastor. Regular service morning and evening; Sunday-school at 9:30 and 3; Endeavor societies at 2 and 7.

COOK AVENUE.—Rev. Dr. M. G. Gorin, pastor. Morning, "God's Promise and His Oath; Immutable Pledges to the Believer;" evening, "The Message of the Wicked."

CENTRAL.—Rev. Archibald F. Carr, pastor. Morning, "The Hunger of the Soul;" evening, "Their King on Our Ways."

Unitarian.

CHURCH OF THE UNITY.—Rev. W. U. Haskell will conduct the morning services.

MESSIAH.—Rev. John W. Day, pastor. Morning, "The Way to Make Saints;" evening, at 7:30, talks on Christian Belief; subject, "What Think Ye of Christ?"

Undenominational.

NON-SECTARIAN.—Rev. R. C. Cave, pastor. Morning service, "Sin's Penalty and God's Mercy."

ETHICAL SOCIETY.—Mr. W. L. Sheldon, lecturer. Morning, "The Novels of Charles Dickens; Lessons From 'Little Dorrit.'"

CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY.—Rev. Abraham E. Nelson, pastor. Morning, "Which Is Right, to Obey God or Man?" evening, evangelistic service; Sunday-school at 2:30, Christian Endeavor at 7, subject, "Ye Must Be Born Again."

Other Churches.

JENNINGS CHAPEL.—Rev. Dr. J. Wesley Johnson will preach at 11 a. m.

UNIVERSAL BROTHERHOOD.—(Theosophical Society in America.)—Free public meeting at Room 212, 904 Olive street, Sunday, 3 p. m.; subject, "The Septenary Constitution of Man;" questions and answers.

SPIRITUAL UNITY.—Rev. W. F. Peck, pastor. Afternoon, 2:30, Lyceum; evening at 7:45, "The Stage as a Moral Force."

OPEN DOOR MISSION AND HOME.—Services every night during the week at 7:30 o'clock, conducted by Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Haines. Sunday morning, preaching at 11 o'clock; Sunday-school and Bible class at 2:30 o'clock; special song and testimony service at 7:30 o'clock.

HOLINESS MISSION.—(2823 Easton avenue.)—Morning class at 10 a. m., preaching at 11 a. m., Sabbath school at 12:45 p. m., holiness rally at 2:30 p. m., preaching at 8 p. m.

DIVINE SCIENCE.—(3008 Locust street.)—Dr. L. Sullivan. Morning, "Will Thou Be Made Whole?"

FIRST SPIRITUAL.—Rev. Thomas Grimshaw. Morning, "Suggestion as Applied to Spiritual Manifestations;" evening, "Some Psychic Objections to Spiritualism."

REORGANIZED LATTER DAY SAINTS.—Elliot and Benton, Sunday-school, 9:30; 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; M. H. Bond of Providence, R. I.; Humphrey street and Morganford road, Sunday-school, 9:30 a. m.; preaching service, 2:30 and 7:45 p. m. 5731 Manchester avenue, Sunday-school, 10, and prayer service, 2:30 p. m.; preaching service, 7:30 p. m.

HOLINESS MISSION.—(2629 Pendleton avenue.)—James C. Cutler, overseer. Services Sunday at 3 and 7:30 p. m.; also Wednesday and Friday evenings at 8 p. m.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST.—2726 Pine street.—Services at 10:45 a. m. and 8 p. m.; subject, "Reality."

THE TEMPLE.—Revival services at the Temple (Second Baptist Church) to-morrow as follows: Preaching at 3 p. m., by Rev. L. C. Hall; at 8 p. m., by Mrs. Mary McGee Hall, subject, "Fire From Heaven;" song service 15 minutes preceding each service, led by Mr. Carroll.

FIRST DOCKERY CLUB IN CITY.

Democrats of the Twenty-Fourth Ward Have Organized It.

The friends of Alex M. Dockery living in the west end of the Twenty-fourth Ward have organized a Dockery Club, the first in the city of St. Louis. The following officers were elected: W. T. Anderson, president; Henry E. Hart, first vice-president; James L. Carlisle, second vice-president; C. C. Walton, treasurer; James B. Austin, Jr., secretary.

The chair appointed the following as the executive committee: Andrew C. Maroney, Dr. C. S. Urie, Benjamin Bright, John M. Middleton, J. W. Tremayne, G. H. Conzelman, Stan Mitchell.

The committee on membership is as follows: Amedee Peting, Fred Bauman, Louis Carreras, James McCausland, John Moss.

The committee on registration is composed of: Walter Havens, Daniel Bartlett, Eugene Mosby, Dr. L. F. Ottofy, Joseph Henniges.

The club resolved to attend the State nominating convention, and a committee was appointed to secure the necessary accommodations for the members of the club. The club will meet next Thursday evening and all the friends of Dockery are invited to attend.

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In the Observation Ward.

Byron Magill is held in the observation ward of the City Hospital, where he was sent Friday at the request of his family, who reside at 922 North Kings highway. He is 25 years old and a carpenter. While at work recently he is said to have fallen on his head. Since then he has been acting in a manner that worried his family to such an extent that they summoned policemen and had him taken to the hospital.

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Died at City Hospital.

Nelson Bibbins, colored, aged 80, died at the City Hospital Saturday morning. He was brought there a few weeks ago from his home at the foot of Meramec street, suffering from rheumatism.

Go to Lapp's Buffet for fine wines, liquors and cigars. 713 Locust street.

Injury Sustained by a Fall.

J. J. Eaton of Kansas City was taken to the City Hospital Friday evening, suffering from bruises sustained by a fall in the street. He was unable at the time to give an account of the accident. His injuries are not serious.

"Boro-Formalin" (Elmer & Amend) used as tooth and mouth wash in the morning leaves mouth sweet and pure all day.

Woman's Mission Society—The Woman's Home Mission Society was in session all day Friday at the First Southern M. E. Church, and at the close had elected officers for the coming year. Mrs. J. W. Lee was chosen president. Mrs. Wheless of St. John's Church was chosen first vice-president; as second vice-president, Mrs. Henry, wife of the president of Marvin Collegiate Institute at Fredericktown, was chosen; corresponding secretary, Mrs. L. M. Ottofy; recording secretary, Miss Mattie Messick, and treasurer, Mrs. Moser of First Church.

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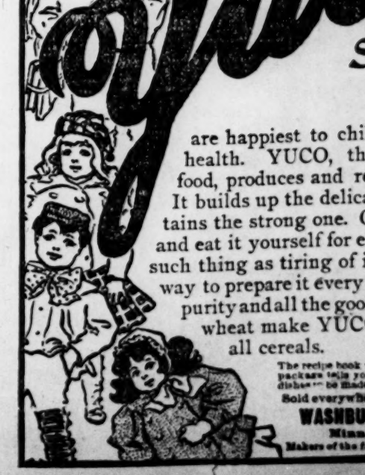

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